

CS201c Programming Evaluation 3
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Topic: String matching using hashing
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Problem description.

Input Format:

The first line is a single positive integer n .

The second line contains a bit string x of length exactly n .

The third line contains a second positive integer m .

This is followed by m lines, with p -th ($1 \leq p \leq m$) line containing four positive integers i_p , j_p , k_p , and l_p between 1 and n :

```
i_1 j_1 k_1 l_1
i_2 j_2 k_2 l_2
.
.
.
i_m j_m k_m l_m
```

Output Format:

The output consists of m lines.

The p -th line has the single integer 1 if and only if substring $x[i_p \dots j_p]$ is equal to substring $x[k_p \dots l_p]$. Otherwise, the p -th line has the single integer 0.

Note. You can use a randomized algorithm i.e., your C++ program can have a random supply of random bits using `srand()` and `rand()` functions. *Be sure to initialize your random number generator with a fresh seed using `srand()` at the start of your C++ program.*

Hint. Find an efficient randomized, hashing scheme for substrings such that two unequal substrings can have the same hash value only with some maximum probability.

Requirements:

1. *Running time.* Worst-case time taken by your C++ program should be

~~$O((n+m) \log_2(n))$~~ $O((n+m) * [\log_2(n)]^c)$ in the RAM model, where c is a fixed positive constant.

2. *Probability of giving a correct answer.* Further, for each $1 \leq p \leq m$, your C++ should satisfy the following condition:

$$\Pr [\text{the } p\text{-th line of your output is correct}] \geq 1 - (1/n)$$

3. You cannot use any in-built libraries (including standard template library). All data structures should be implemented in C++ from scratch.
4. **Collaboration is not permitted on this assignment. Your submitted code should be completely your own.**

See section titled ``Honor Code" in course outline already shared with you.

Example.

Sample Input.

```
10
1011011011
6
1 4 7 10
2 5 7 10
2 4 5 7
2 4 8 10
3 7 6 10
1 5 6 10
```

Correct Sample Output.

```
1
0
1
1
1
0
```

Note. Since your C++ code is randomized, you are allowed to make an error on each output with probability at most ~~$\frac{1}{n} = 0.167$~~ **0.1**.

Note on random prime selection.

Your implementation may require you to generate a random prime in a range $[1, n^d]$, where d is some positive integer. For testing whether the random number generated is in fact a prime, you will need to implement a fast primality test such as Miller-Rabin. The following method will allow you to proceed without implementing a fast primality testing algorithm, such as Miller-Rabin.

It is well known that the number of primes in this range is at least $(n^d)/(d \ln(n))$.

(see: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prime-counting_function)

Consider the following prime-picking algorithm (in bold):

Set S is initially equal to the empty set.

$K = d (\ln(n))^3$ [you can choose a higher power such as 4, 5, etc.]

For $i = 1$ to K :

Pick a random integer r_i in the range $[3, n^d]$

Add integer r to set S.

Now, what is the probability that S will contain *at least one* random prime in the range $[3, n^d]$?

$$\Pr [r_i \text{ is a random prime}] = (\# \text{ of primes in } [3, n^d]) / (\text{total numbers in } [3, n^d]) \\ \geq 1 / (d \ln(n))$$

$$\Pr [\text{at least one of } r_1, r_2, \dots, r_K \text{ is a random prime}] \geq 1 - [1 - (1 / (d \ln(n)))]^K \text{ ---- (*)} \\ \text{(Simplify the right hand side of this equation yourself.)}$$

Thus, you can choose such a random set S, and then run your Prog Eval 3 algorithm $|S|$ times, using r_i as a “supposed prime” for the i -th run. By (*) above, one of these $|S|$ runs will be with a random prime with high probability.