



Workshop: Advent of Code – day 1

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Day 1

- ✧ Array-oriented techniques
- ✧ Bingo and Strings

Day 2

- ✧ Reading and parsing data from files
- ✧ Mathematical insights for array-oriented programming



Problems

- 21.4 Bingo/NoBingo
- 15.5 Nice/Nicer Strings

Topics

- Array-oriented techniques: loops vs doing things "all at once"
- The Rank Operator and other neat tricks



Array-oriented techniques

Procedural programming: decompose the problem into smallest piece which can be expressed, then iterate up to whole data

Array programming: transform data into a form which can be handled "all at once" using known idiomatic constructs

Use the simplest, **flattest** array structure you can



Bingo

Numbers from a list are called one at a time

Mark the occurrence of each number on your board

A board wins when all numbers in a row or column are found

Bingo: First board to win

NoBingo: Last board to win



Bingo

Sub-problems

- ✧ Checking if a board is a winner
- ✧ Iterating over called numbers
- ✧ Index of the first/last winner



Bingo

Checking winners

```
nums ← 21 18 9 16 8 6 11 0
```

```
]repr 2[]boards
```

```
(5 5p14 21 17 24 4 10 16 15 9 19 18 8 23 26 20 22 11 13 6 5 2 0 12 3 7)
```

```
[]←b←numse~3[]boards
```

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



Bingo

Checking winners

Reduce with Bracket-Axis, Rank

Check one board, loop with each F^{\bullet} and rank $F^{\bullet}k$

On Classic:

$\ddot{o} \leftarrow \{\alpha \leftarrow \vdash \quad \diamond \quad \alpha(\alpha \alpha \square U2364\omega\omega)\omega\}$

Check all boards with rank or axis



Bingo

Checking winners

Exercise: Write two functions to check if any whole column or row is 1

ω : Boolean matrix

\leftarrow : Boolean scalar

WinA1: Reduce with Axis $F/[a]$

WinR1: Reduce with Rank $F \neq k$



Bingo

Checking winners

Exercise: Apply your `Win` functions to the entire collection of boards

ω : Boolean 3D array

\leftarrow : Integer singleton (scalar, 1-element vector etc.)

Using Each `Win` Enclose each matrix using rank `c::k`

Enclose each matrix using bracket-axis `c[a]`

Using Rank `Win::k`



Bingo

Checking winners

Exercise: Write two functions to check all boards in the 3D array

ω : Boolean 3D array

\leftarrow : Boolean vector

WinA2: Reduce with Axis $F/[a]$

WinR2: Reduce with Rank $F \nrightarrow k$



Bingo

Approaches to iteration

- Loop over each number
- Loop over each board
- Write a "Wins" function or expression which applies to a matrix; loop over each board
- Write a "Wins" function or expression which applies to the whole board; find the index of the winning board(s)
- Check all numbers, find progressive wins with scan



Refactoring a solution

```
winner ← nums B1 boards; i; j; called; win
boards ← c ∘ 2 ⊢ boards
:For i :In 1 ≠ nums
  :For j :In 1 ≠ boards
    called ← (⊃ boards[j]) ∈ i ⊢ nums
    win ← v / (∧ / [1] called), ∧ / [2] called
    :If win
      winner ← j
    :Return
  :EndIf
:EndFor
:EndFor
```



Refactoring a solution

```
winner ← nums B2 boards; i; called; winners
:For i :In 1#nums
    called ← boards[i]#nums
    winners ← v/(^/called), ^/[2]called
    :If v/winners
        winner ← 1winners
    :Return
:EndIf
:EndFor
```



Refactoring a solution

```
winner←nums B3 boards;Win;i;called;winners  
boards←boards  
Win←(v/^/,^/ö2)  
:For i :In 1#nums  
    called←boards[i]nums  
    winners←Win called  
    :If v/winners  
        winner←1winners  
    :Return  
:EndIf  
:EndFor
```



Refactoring a solution

```
winner←nums B4 boards;called;Win;n;winners
called←0boards  A 0pboards
Win←(v/^/,^/ö2)
:For n :In nums
    calledv←boards=n
    winners←Win called
    :If v/winners
        winner←uwinners
    :Return
:EndIf
:EndFor
```



Refactoring a solution

```
winner←nums B5 boards;j;called;Win;state;n  
called←0boards 0boards  
Win←(v/^/,^/2)  
:For n :In nums  
    calledv←boards=n  
    winner←Win called  
    →0boardswinner  
:EndFor
```



Refactoring a solution

```
B6←{
  (nums boards)←α ω
  called←0~ω
  Win←(v/^/,^÷2)
  FirstWinner←{
    calledv←boards=ω>nums
    ≠winner←_Win called:winner
    ∇ ω+1
  }
  FirstWinner 1
}
```



Bingo

Iterating through nums

```
1 2 > _ (v / ^ / , ^ / 2) v \ ↑ boards ° € ``nums
```



Bingo

Iterating through nums

Exercise: Simplify the expression

$\uparrow \text{boards} \circ \epsilon \cdot \text{nums}$



Nice and Nicer Strings

Compute the number of strings (lines) in the input which conform to some rule set

- ✧ Implementing the rule set
- ✧ Application of the rule set



Nice Strings

- At least three vowels 'a e i o u'
- At least one letter twice in a row
- Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'



Nice Strings

- At least three vowels 'aeiou'
 $3 \leq +/\omega \in \text{'aeiou'}$
- At least one letter twice in a row
- Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'



Nice Strings

- At least three vowels 'aeiou'

$$3 \leq +/\omega \in \text{'aeiou'}$$

- At least one letter twice in a row

$$\vee / (-1 \downarrow \omega) = 1 \downarrow \omega$$

$$\vee / 2 = / \omega$$

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Nice Strings

Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

ϵ
 $\text{bad} \leftarrow \text{'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'}$

$\text{bad} \circ \epsilon \text{ ``string}$

$\text{bad} \epsilon \text{ ``string}$

$\epsilon \circ \text{string} \text{ ``bad}$

$(\uparrow \text{bad})(\epsilon \circ 1) \text{string}$

$\text{bad} \vee / \circ \epsilon \text{ ``}\omega$

$\vee / \circ \epsilon \circ \omega \text{ ``bad}$



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$\underline{\epsilon} \circ \text{string ``bad}$

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$\vee / \circ \underline{\epsilon} \circ \omega \text{ ``bad}$



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$\text{bad} \circ \epsilon \text{ ``cstring}$

$\text{bad} \epsilon \text{ ``cstring}$

$\epsilon \circ \text{string ``bad}$

$(\uparrow \text{bad})(\epsilon \circ 1) \text{string}$

$\text{bad} \vee / \circ \epsilon \text{ ``c}\omega$

$\vee / \circ \epsilon \circ \omega \text{ ``bad}$



Nice Strings

Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

ε

bad ← 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

✓/ε

⊃✓/

1ε↑

bad◦.ε"cstring

badε"cstring

ε◦string"bad

✓/,

1ε

✓/

(↑bad)(ε◦1)string

bad✓/◦ε"ω

✓/◦ε◦ω"bad



Nice Strings

Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

\wr

Exercise: define $\alpha \in \omega$ in terms of $\alpha \wr \omega$



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Exercise: define $\alpha \in \omega$ in terms of $\alpha \wr \omega$

$$\{(\neq \alpha) \geq \alpha \wr \omega\}$$



Nice Strings

Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

⌗

Exercise: create a non-nested 3D character array of pairs of characters (overlapping) from a text matrix

ω : Character matrix of shape $n \ m$

\leftarrow : Character array of shape $n \ (m-1) \ 2$



Nice Strings

Does not contain any of 'ab' 'cd' 'pq' 'xy'

ι

Putting it together:

$+/\sim(\uparrow\text{bad})\{\wedge/(\neq\alpha)<\alpha\iota 0^{-1}\downarrow\omega\bar{\cdot}[2.1]1\phi\omega\}t$



Nice Strings

Toolkit

$3 \leq +/\omega \in \text{'aeiou'}$

$\vee / 2 = / \omega$

$\wedge / (\neq \text{bad}) < \text{bad} \wr 1 (\downarrow \ddot{\circ} 1) \omega, [2.5] 1 \phi \omega$



Nicer Strings

- ✧ A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping
- ✧ At least one letter repeats with exactly one letter between



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice (or more) without overlapping

$$\{\vee/2\leq|-/\uparrow,\underline{1}^{\circ}.\equiv\sim2,/ \omega\}$$

$\omega \leftarrow \text{'abcxxxz'}$

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Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

$$\{v/2 \leq | - / \uparrow, \underline{1}^\circ . \equiv \sim 2, / \omega\}$$

$\omega \leftarrow \uparrow 'abcxxyxxz' \quad 'defxxxyzz' \quad 'applelppa'$



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

$(\neq'(..).*\backslash 1'\square S\ 3)''\downarrow in$

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Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

```
NicerString←{  
  b←{((c“(0,ι-2+≠ω)+cι2)[]“(ω)⊆“(ω)}'*,',ω  
  b/˜←2≤+/'b  
  b←ub  
  b←v/~0 1 1 0◦(v/⊆)“b  
  b^←⊃v/(v/ι=2◦φ)'**',ω  
  b  
}
```



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

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  b←ub  
  b←v/∼0 1 1 0◦(v/⊆)“b  
  b^←⊃v/(v/ι=2◦ϕ)‘**’,ω  
  b  
}
```



Exercise:
Simplify this



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

```
RepeatWithoutOverlap ← {  
  p ← (u2, /ω) ∈ " ⊂ ω  
  p / " ← 2 ≤ + / " p  
  v / ~ 0 1 1 0 ◦ (v / " ) " 0 , " p  
}
```

Exercise:

This code is meant to check if character vector ω contains a character pair that appears twice but not overlapped.

Can you find an argument for which this is true, but this function returns 0?



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

```
z←NicerString t;m;b;c
```

```
m←↓t
```

```
c←≠⊃m
```

```
b←{p←~/'2=/'2,/'ω ⋄ (∧/p)∨2≤+/'0=p}'m
```

```
b^←{c≥≠∪2,/'ω}'m
```

```
b^←{∨/=/'(↑(3,/'ω))[;1 3]}'m
```

```
z←+/'b
```



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice without overlapping

```
z ← NicerString t;m;b;c
```

```
m ← ↓ t
```

```
c ← ≠ ⊃ m
```

```
b ← { p ← ∼ / `` 2 = / 2 , / ω ⋄ ( ^ / p ) ∨ 2 ≤ + / 0 = p } `` m
```

```
b ^ ← { c ≥ ≠ ∪ 2 , / ω } `` m
```

```
b ^ ← { ∨ / = / ( ↑ ( 3 , / ω ) ) [ ; 1 3 ] } `` m
```

```
z ← + / b
```

Exercise:

This code is meant to check if character vector w contains a character pair that appears twice but not overlapped.

Can you explain what is wrong with this code?



Nicer Strings

A pair of letters, found twice (or more) without overlapping

$$\{2^v \cdot \leq (+/-2 - / \underline{1} \ddot{\circ} \underline{\epsilon} \circ \omega) \cdot \cdot \cup 2, / \omega\}$$

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Nicer Strings

Array-element IDs

```
a ← 'abc bde'
↑ a(τ~a)
```

a	b	c	b	d	e
1	2	3	2	5	6

```
a ← 'abc' 'cde' 'abc' 'def' 'efg'
↑ a(τ~a)
```

abc	cde	abc	def	efg
1	2	1	4	5



Nicer Strings

Array-element IDs

$v / 1 < {}^{-1}(\downarrow \ddot{o} 1) \quad (\imath \vdash / \rho \omega) - \ddot{o} 1 \quad (\imath \ddot{\sim} \ddot{o} 2) \quad \omega, [2.1] 1 \phi \omega$



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

`'abcxyxf g'`



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

'abc**xyx**fg'



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

↑3, / 'abcxyxfg'

abc

bcx

cxy

xyx

yxf

xfg



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

$(\phi = \vdash) \uparrow 3, / 'abcxyxf g'$

0 1 0

0 1 0

0 1 0

1 1 1

0 1 0

0 1 0



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

$\wedge / (\phi = \vdash) \uparrow 3, / 'abcxyxf g'$

0 0 0 1 0 0



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

$\neg / (\phi = \vdash) \uparrow 3, / 'abcxyxfg'$

0 0 0 1 0 0



Nice and Nicer Strings

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$(\neg / = \vdash /) \uparrow 3, / 'abcxyxf g'$

0 0 0 1 0 0



Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

Exercise: create $\uparrow 3, / 'abcxyxf g'$ without intermediate nested array

Try: $, [] \downarrow \phi \boxtimes$

Try: $\downarrow \ddot{o} k \phi \ddot{o} k$

$(1 \downarrow^{-1} \downarrow \vdash \boxtimes 3) 'abcxyxf g'$

$\{-2 \downarrow \omega, (1 \phi \omega), [1.5] 2 \phi \omega\} 'abcxyxf g'$



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Nice and Nicer Strings

A letter repeated with exactly one in between

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$\{\uparrow(2\downarrow\omega)(^{-}2\downarrow\omega)\}'abcxyxfg'$

cxyxfg

abcxyx

$\{(2\downarrow\omega)=(^{-}2\downarrow\omega)\}'abcxyxfg'$

0 0 0 1 0 0

Why can we not use
 $3=/\omega$?



Nice and Nicer Strings

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cxyxfg

abcxyx

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0 0 0 1 0 0

What could we use

$3\text{?}/\omega$?



Nice and Nicer Strings

Solution toolkit

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$\vee/2 \leq | - / \uparrow, \underline{1} \circ . = \ddot{\sim} \wr \ddot{\sim} \omega$

$\vee/3(\neg/ = \vdash/) \omega$



Nice and Nicer Strings

Three high-level approaches

- 1) Solve for a single string, and apply on each string
- 2) Apply each condition to every string, then AND results
- 3) Filter input for each condition, and count remaining

