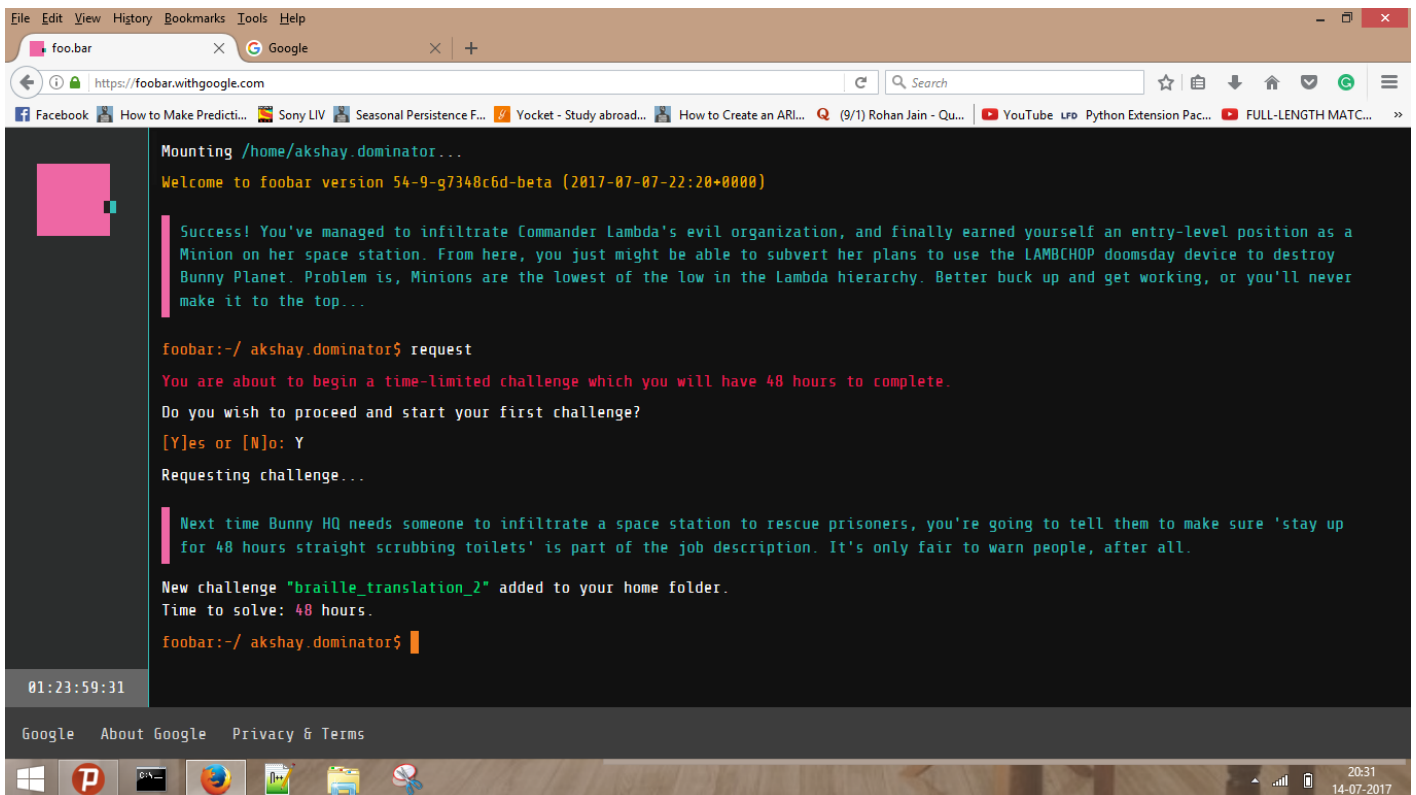
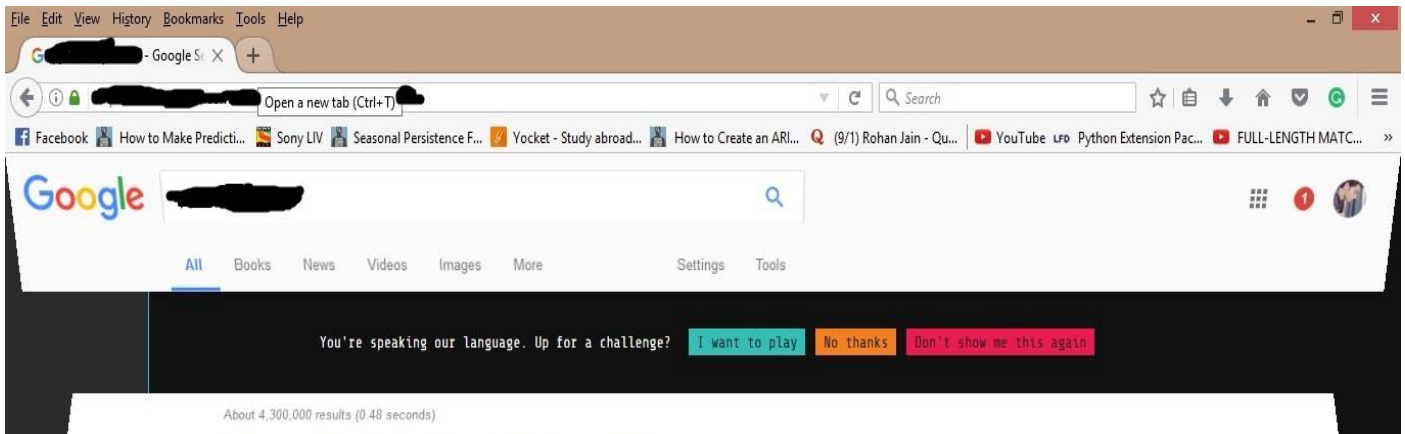


# My experience with the Foo.bar challenge



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### Braille Translation

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Because Commander Lambda is an equal-opportunity despot, she has several visually-impaired minions. But she never bothered to follow intergalactic standards for workplace accommodations, so those minions have a hard time navigating her space station. You figure printing out Braille signs will help them, and - since you'll be promoting efficiency at the same time - increase your chances of a promotion.

Braille is a writing system used to read by touch instead of by sight. Each character is composed of 6 dots in a 2x3 grid, where each dot can either be a bump or be flat (no bump). You plan to translate the signs around the space station to Braille so that the minions under Commander Lambda's command can feel the bumps on the signs and "read" the text with their touch. The special printer which can print the bumps onto the signs expects the dots in the following order:

```
1 4
2 5
3 6
```

So given the plain text word "code", you get the Braille dots:

```
11 10 11 10
00 01 01 01
00 10 00 00
```

where 1 represents a bump and 0 represents no bump. Put together, "code" becomes the output string "100100101010100110100010".

01:23:56:58 Write a function `answer(plaintext)` that takes a string parameter and returns a string of 1's and 0's representing the bumps and

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Write a function `answer(plaintext)` that takes a string parameter and returns a string of 1's and 0's representing the bumps and absence of bumps in the input string. Your function should be able to encode the 26 lowercase letters, handle capital letters by adding a Braille capitalization mark before that character, and use a blank character (000000) for spaces. All signs on the space station are less than fifty characters long and use only letters and spaces.

### Languages

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### Test cases

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Inputs:  
(string) `plaintext = "code"`  
Output:  
(string) `"100100101010100110100010"`

Inputs:  
(string) `plaintext = "Braille"`  
Output:  
(string) `"00000111000011101010000010100111000111000100010"`

01:23:56:43 Inputs:

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Test cases
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Inputs:
(string) plaintext = "code"
Output:
(string) "10010010101001100010"

Inputs:
(string) plaintext = "Braille"
Output:
(string) "000001110000111010100000010100111000111000100010"

Inputs:
(string) plaintext = "The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog"
Output:
(string)
"00000101110110010001000000111101010010100100100100000000110000111010101001011110111000000011010010101011010000000101101
01001101110010001010011000000101011100110001011101000000011110110010100010000001100010000010111011110000001001101010110
110"

Use verify [file] to test your solution and see how it does. When you are finished editing your code, use submit [file] to submit your
answer. If your solution passes the test cases, it will be removed from your home folder.

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Level 1 complete. You are now on level 2. Challenges to complete level: 2.

Level 1 100% [=====]
Level 2 0% [.....]
Level 3 0% [.....]
Level 4 0% [.....]
Level 5 0% [.....]

You survived a week in Commander Lambda's organization, and you even managed to get yourself promoted. Hooray! Henchmen still don't
have the kind of security access you'll need to take down Commander Lambda, though, so you'd better keep working. Chop chop!

Type request to request a new challenge now, or come back later.

foobar:~/ akshay.dominator$
```

Question 2 BUNNY PRISONER LOCATING

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foo.bar:~/bunny_prisoner_locating akshay.dominator$ cat readme.txt
```

### Bunny Prisoner Locating

Keeping track of Commander Lambda's many bunny prisoners is starting to get tricky. You've been tasked with writing a program to match bunny prisoner IDs to cell locations.

The LAMBCHOP doomsday device takes up much of the interior of Commander Lambda's space station, and as a result the prison blocks have an unusual layout. They are stacked in a triangular shape, and the bunny prisoners are given numerical IDs starting from the corner, as follows:

```
| 7
| 4 8
| 2 5 9
| 1 3 6 10
```

Each cell can be represented as points (x, y), with x being the distance from the vertical wall, and y being the height from the ground.

For example, the bunny prisoner at (1, 1) has ID 1, the bunny prisoner at (3, 2) has ID 9, and the bunny prisoner at (2,3) has ID 8. This pattern of numbering continues indefinitely (Commander Lambda has been taking a LOT of prisoners).

Write a function `answer(x, y)` which returns the prisoner ID of the bunny at location (x, y). Each value of x and y will be at least 1 and no greater than 100,000. Since the prisoner ID can be very large, return your answer as a string representation of the number.

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### Languages

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### Test cases

Inputs:

```
(int) x = 3
(int) y = 2
```

Output:

```
(string) "9"
```

Inputs:

```
(int) x = 5
(int) y = 10
```

Output:

```
(string) "96"
```

Use `verify [file]` to test your solution and see how it does. When you are finished editing your code, use `submit [file]` to submit your answer. If your solution passes the test cases, it will be removed from your home folder.

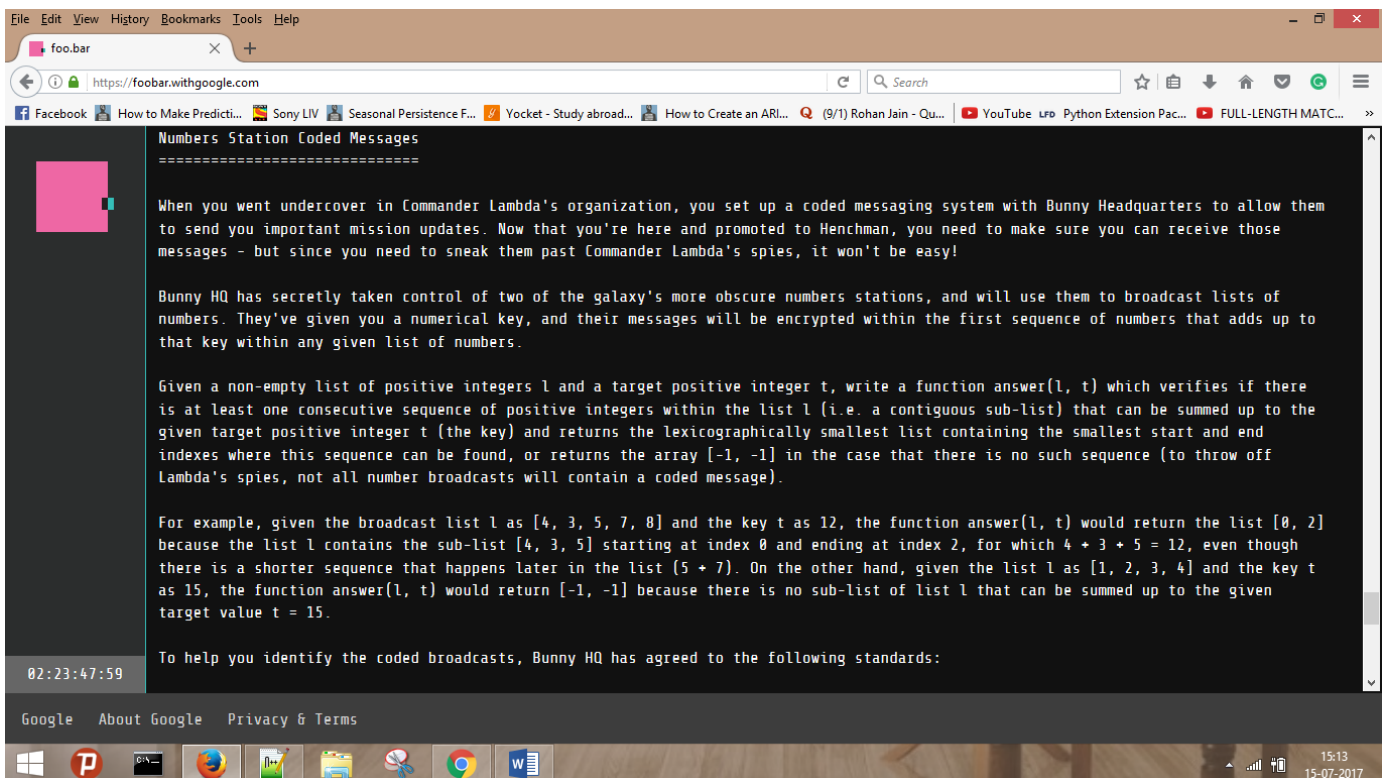
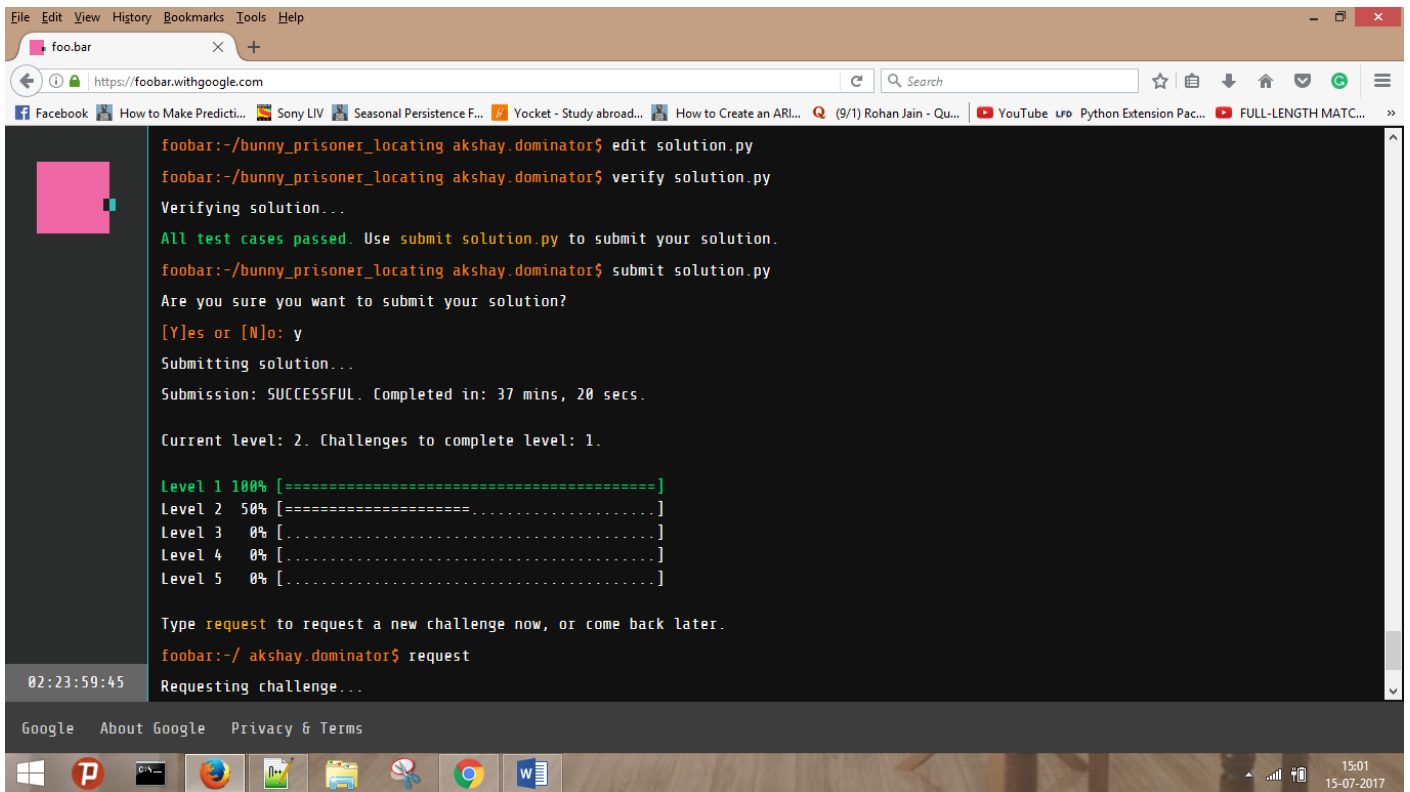
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foo.bar:~/bunny_prisoner_locating akshay.dominator$
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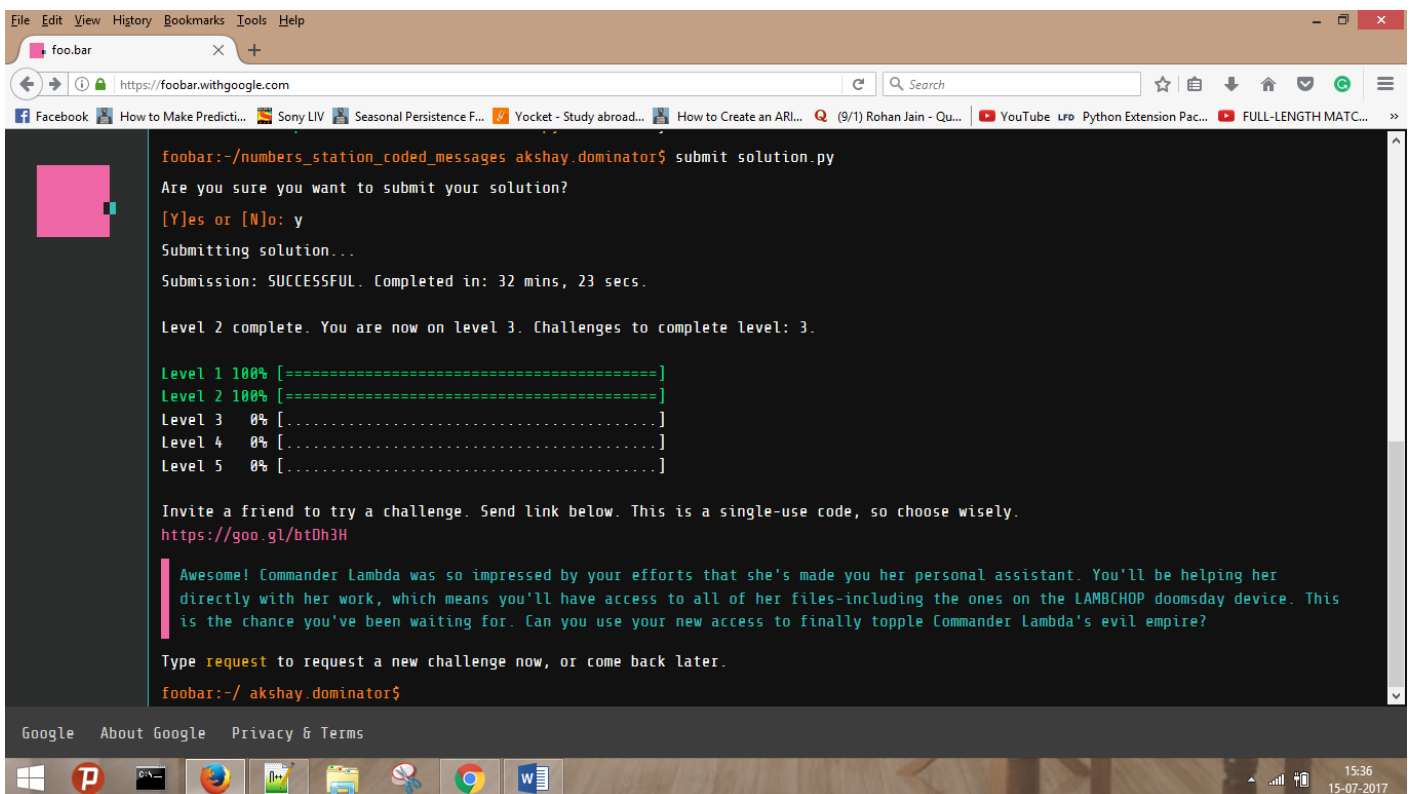
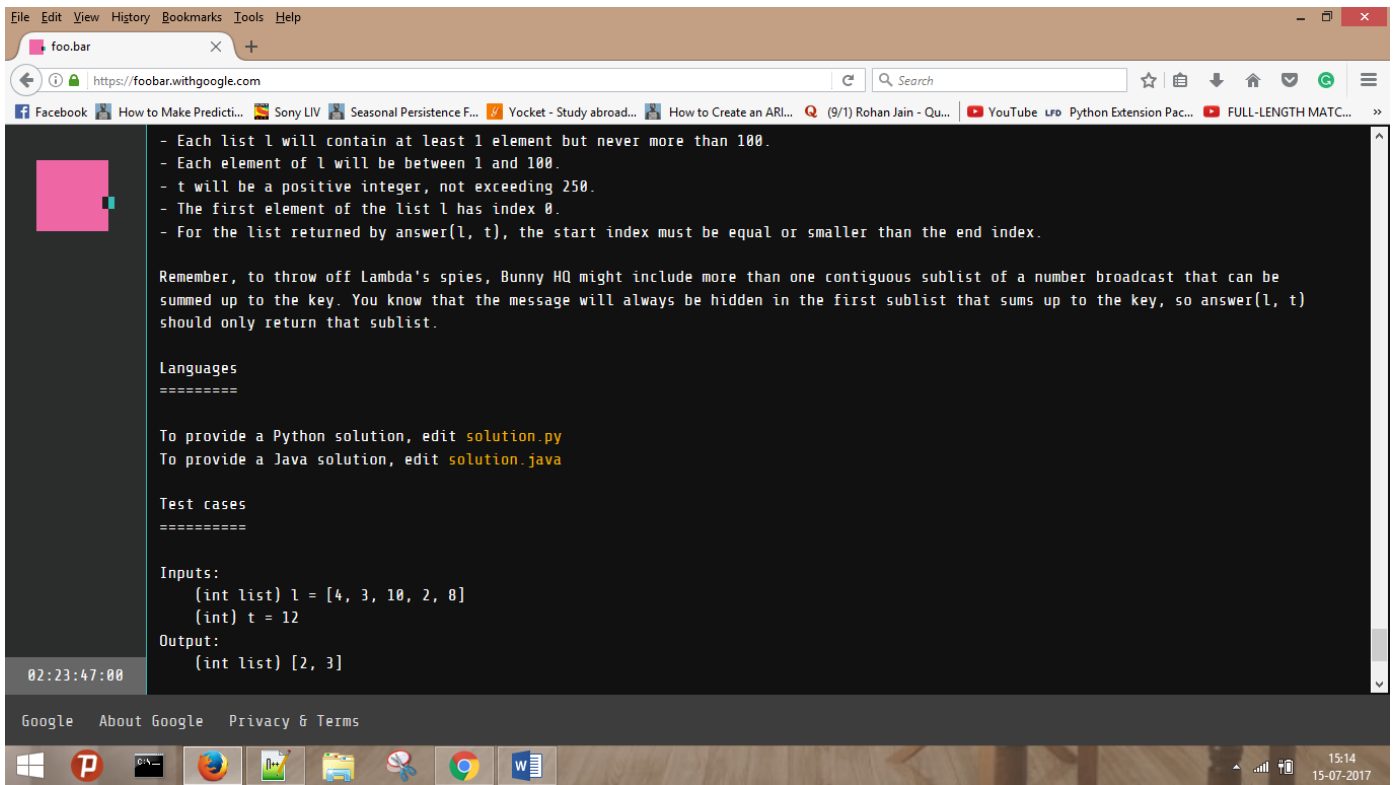
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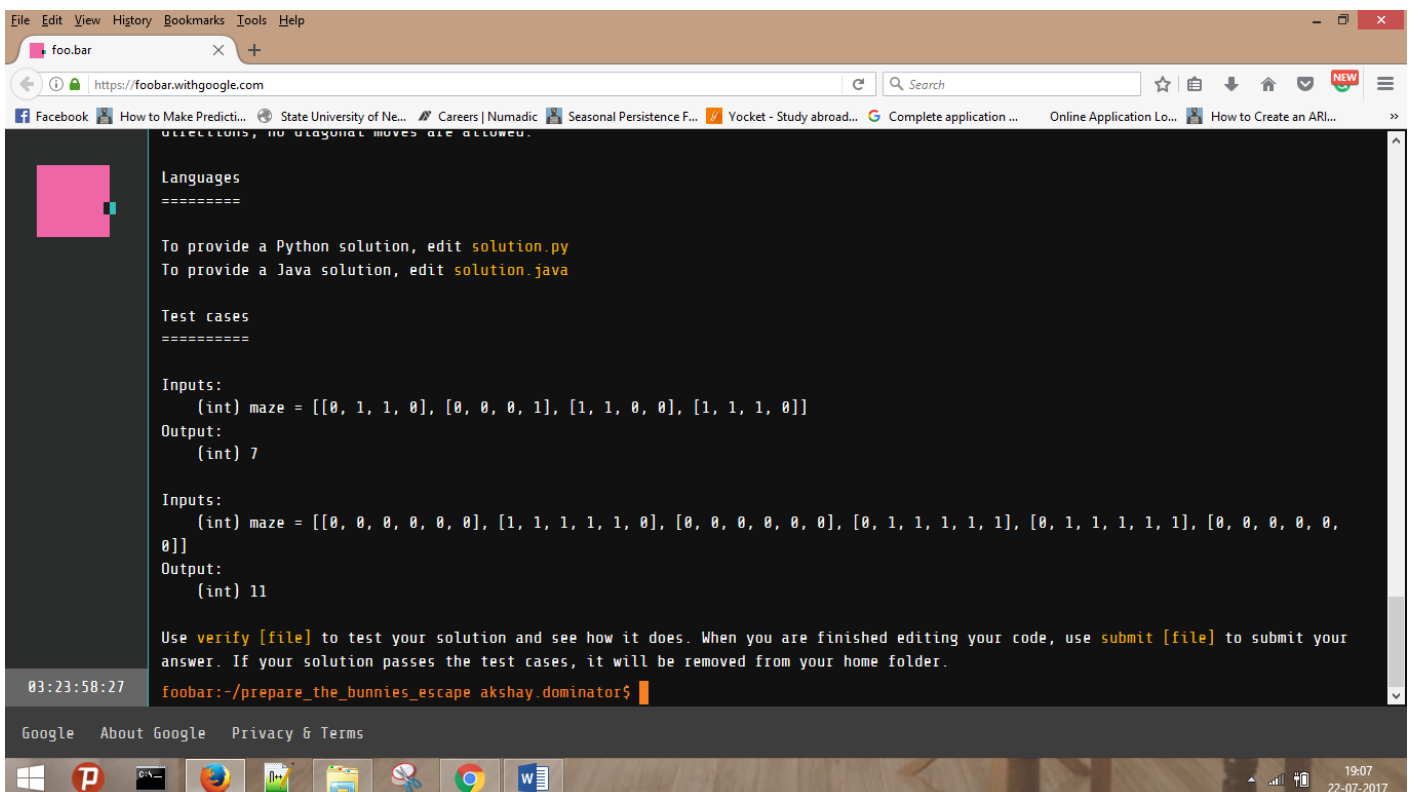
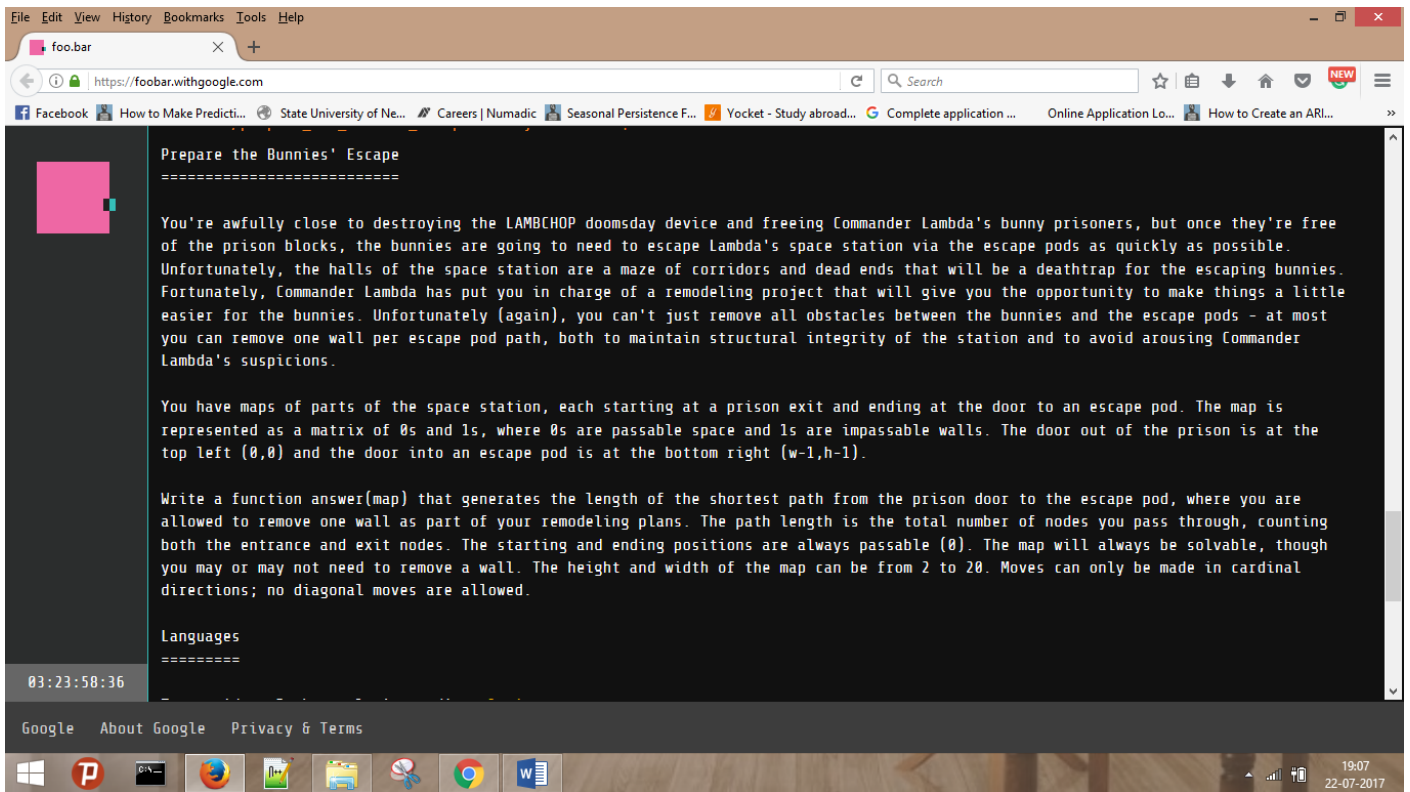
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### Find the Access Codes

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In order to destroy Commander Lambda's LAMBCHOP doomsday device, you'll need access to it. But the only door leading to the LAMBCHOP chamber is secured with a unique lock system whose number of passcodes changes daily. Commander Lambda gets a report every day that includes the locks' access codes, but only she knows how to figure out which of several lists contains the access codes. You need to find a way to determine which list contains the access codes once you're ready to go in.

Fortunately, now that you're Commander Lambda's personal assistant, she's confided to you that she made all the access codes "lucky triples" in order to help her better find them in the lists. A "lucky triple" is a tuple (x, y, z) where x divides y and y divides z, such as (1, 2, 4). With that information, you can figure out which list contains the number of access codes that matches the number of locks on the door when you're ready to go in (for example, if there's 5 passcodes, you'd need to find a list with 5 "lucky triple" access codes).

Write a function `answer(l)` that takes a list of positive integers `l` and counts the number of "lucky triples" of `(lst[i], lst[j], lst[k])` where `i < j < k`. The length of `l` is between 2 and 2000 inclusive. The elements of `l` are between 1 and 999999 inclusive. The answer fits within a signed 32-bit integer. Some of the lists are purposely generated without any access codes to throw off spies, so if no triples are found, return 0.

For example, `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]` has the triples: `[1, 2, 4]`, `[1, 2, 6]`, `[1, 3, 6]`, making the answer 3 total.

### Languages

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For example, `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]` has the triples: `[1, 2, 4]`, `[1, 2, 6]`, `[1, 3, 6]`, making the answer 3 total.

### Languages

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To provide a Python solution, edit `solution.py`  
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### Test cases

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Inputs:  
(int list) `l = [1, 1, 1]`  
Output:  
(int) 1

Inputs:  
(int list) `l = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]`  
Output:  
(int) 3

Use `verify [file]` to test your solution and see how it does. When you are finished editing your code, use `submit [file]` to submit your answer. If your solution passes the test cases, it will be removed from your home folder.

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Bomb, Baby!

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You're so close to destroying the LAMBCHOP doomsday device you can taste it! But in order to do so, you need to deploy special self-replicating bombs designed for you by the brightest scientists on Bunny Planet. There are two types: Mach bombs (M) and Facula bombs (F). The bombs, once released into the LAMBCHOP's inner workings, will automatically deploy to all the strategic points you've identified and destroy them at the same time.

But there's a few catches. First, the bombs self-replicate via one of two distinct processes:

Every Mach bomb retrieves a sync unit from a Facula bomb; for every Mach bomb, a Facula bomb is created;

Every Facula bomb spontaneously creates a Mach bomb.

For example, if you had 3 Mach bombs and 2 Facula bombs, they could either produce 3 Mach bombs and 5 Facula bombs, or 5 Mach bombs and 2 Facula bombs. The replication process can be changed each cycle.

Second, you need to ensure that you have exactly the right number of Mach and Facula bombs to destroy the LAMBCHOP device. Too few, and the device might survive. Too many, and you might overload the mass capacitors and create a singularity at the heart of the space station - not good!

And finally, you were only able to smuggle one of each type of bomb - one Mach, one Facula - aboard the ship when you arrived, so that's all you have to start with. (Thus it may be impossible to deploy the bombs to destroy the LAMBCHOP, but that's not going to stop you from trying!)

03:23:59:29 You need to know how many replication cycles (generations) it will take to generate the correct amount of bombs to destroy the LAMBCHOP. Write a function answer(M, F) where M and F are the number of Mach and Facula bombs needed. Return the fewest number of

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generations (as a string) that need to pass before you'll have the exact number of bombs necessary to destroy the LAMBCHOP, or the string "impossible" if this can't be done! M and F will be string representations of positive integers no larger than  $10^{50}$ . For example, if M = "2" and F = "1", one generation would need to pass, so the answer would be "1". However, if M = "2" and F = "4", it would not be possible.

Languages

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To provide a Python solution, edit `solution.py`  
To provide a Java solution, edit `solution.java`

Test cases

=====

Inputs:  
(string) M = "2"  
(string) F = "1"  
Output:  
(string) "1"

Inputs:  
(string) M = "4"  
(string) F = "7"  
Output:  
(string) "4"

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