

USA Computing Olympiad

OVERVIEW

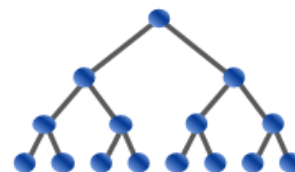
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USACO 2016 JANUARY CONTEST, BRONZE PROBLEM 3. MOWING THE FIELD

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Contest has ended.

Submitted; Results below show the outcome for each judge test case

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English (en) ▼

Farmer John is quite reliable in all aspects of managing his farm, except one: he is terrible at mowing the grass in a timely or logical fashion.

The farm is a large 2D grid of square unit cells. FJ starts in one of these cells at time $t = 0$, mowing the grass in this cell so that it is initially the only cell in which the grass is cut. FJ's remaining mowing pattern is described by a sequence of N statements. For example, if the first statement is "W 10", then for times $t = 1$ through $t = 10$ (i.e., the next 10 units of time), FJ will step one cell to his west, mowing the grass along the way. After completing this sequence of steps, he will end up 10 cells to his west at time $t = 10$, having mowed the grass in every cell along the way.

So slow is FJ's progress that some of the grass he mows might grow back before he is finished with all his mowing. Any section of grass that is cut at time t will reappear at time $t + x$.

FJ's mowing pattern might have him re-visit the same cell multiple times, but he remarks that he never encounters a cell in which the grass is already cut. That is, every time he visits a cell, his most recent visit to that same cell must have been at least x units of time earlier, in order for the grass to have grown back.

Please determine the maximum possible value of x so that FJ's observation remains valid.

INPUT FORMAT (file mowing.in):

The first line of input contains N ($1 \leq N \leq 100$). Each of the remaining N lines contains a single statement and is of the form 'D S', where D is a character describing a direction (N=north, E=east, S=south, W=west) and S is the number of steps taken in that direction ($1 \leq S \leq 10$).

OUTPUT FORMAT (file mowing.out):

Please determine the maximum value of x such that FJ never steps on a cell with cut grass. If FJ never visits any cell more than once, please output -1.

SAMPLE INPUT:

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6
N 10
E 2
S 3
W 4
S 5
E 8
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SAMPLE OUTPUT:

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10
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In this example, FJ steps on a cell at time 17 that he stepped on earlier at time 7; therefore, x must be at most 10 or else the grass from his first visit would not yet have grown back. He also steps on a cell at time 26 that he also visited at time 2; hence x

must also be at most 24. Since the first of these two constraints is tighter, we see that x can be at most 10.

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Language:

C ▼

Source File:

Choose File

No file chosen

Submit Solution

Note: Many issues (e.g., uninitialized variables, out-of-bounds memory access) can cause a program to produce different output when run multiple times; if your program behaves in a manner inconsistent with the official contest results, you should probably look for one of these issues. Timing can also differ slightly from run to run, so it is possible for a program timing out in the official results to occasionally run just under the time limit in analysis mode, and vice versa. Note also that we have recently changed grading servers, and since our new servers run at different speeds from the servers used during older contests, timing results for older contest problems may be slightly off until we manage to re-calibrate everything properly.
