

Q Given a string of lowercase alphabets.
Amazon Return count of (i, j) such that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} i < j \\ s[i] \rightarrow 'a' \\ s[j] \rightarrow 'g' \end{array} \right\} 'ag'$$

S: ^{0 1 2 3 4 5}
 a b e g a g
 $(0, 3)$ $(4, 5)$
 $(0, 5) \rightarrow 3$

Quin

^{0 1 2 3 4 5 6}
 a c g d g a g
 $(0, 2)$ $(5, 6)$
 $(0, 4)$
 $(0, 6) \rightarrow 4$

Quin

^{0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7}
 b c a g g a a g
 $(2, 3)$ $(5, 7)$ $(6, 7)$
 $(2, 4)$
 $(2, 7)$

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ans = 0;
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
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    if (a[i] == 'a') {
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        for (j = i + 1; j < N; j++) {
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            if (a[j] == 'g') {
                ans++;
            }
        }
    }
}
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TC: $O(N^2)$

SC: $O(1)$

a c b a g k a g g

Every 'g' makes a pair with all the 'a' on the left side of it.

	a	c	b	a	g	k	a	g	g
Count a	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3
ans	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	5	8

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ans = 0;
Count-a = 0;
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TC: $O(N)$

SC: $O(1)$

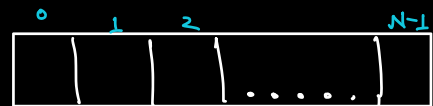
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for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
    if (S[i] == 'a') {
        Count-a++;
    }
    else if (S[i] == 'g') {
        ans = ans + Count-a;
    }
}
return ans;
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Amazon

Zeta Q. Given an array. Return the length of smallest sub-array which contains both, the max & min of the array.

Sub-array any contiguous part of an array

How many sub-arrays in an array of size N .



Count of sub-arrays starting from index $0 \rightarrow N$

Count of sub-arrays starting from index $1 \rightarrow N-1$

Count of sub-arrays starting from index $2 \rightarrow N-2$

\vdots

Count of sub-arrays starting from index $N-1 \rightarrow 1$

$$N + (N-1) + (N-2) + \dots + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

$$\approx O(N^2)$$

⁰ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 1, 2, 3, 1, 3, 4, 6, 4, 6, 3

Array Max \rightarrow 6

Array Min \rightarrow 1

$[3, 6] \rightarrow 4$

⁰ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
 2, 2, 6, 4, 5, 1, 5, 2, 6, 4, 1

Array Max \rightarrow 6

Array Min \rightarrow 1

$[8, 10] \rightarrow 3$

- The ans sub-array must have exactly one min & one max.

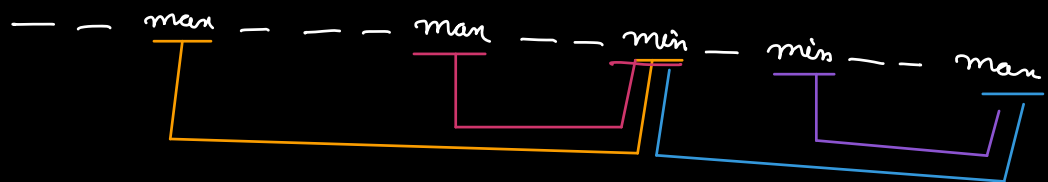
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- The min & max in the ans sub array will be present in the corner,

6, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

1, 3, 6, 4, 1

- $[max, min]$
 Or
 $[min, max]$



// Find the min of array $\longrightarrow A_{\min}$

// Find the max of array $\longrightarrow A_{\max}$

last min Index = -1

last max Index = -1

ans = N



for (i=0; i<N; i++) {

if (A[i] == A_{min}) {

lastMinIndex = i;

if (lastMaxIndex >= 0) {

ans = min(ans, i - lastMaxIndex + 1);

}

}

~~else~~ if (A[i] == A_{max}) {

lastMaxIndex = i;

if (lastMinIndex >= 0) {

ans = min(ans, i - lastMinIndex + 1);

}

}

}

TC : $O(N)$

SC : $O(1)$

⁰ 2, ¹ 2, ² 6, ³ 4, ⁴ 5, ⁵ 1, ⁶ 5, ⁷ 2, ⁸ 6, ⁹ 4, ¹⁰ 1

Min \rightarrow 1
 Max \rightarrow 6

L min : ~~-1~~ ~~5~~ 10

L max : ~~-1~~ ~~2~~ 8

ans : ~~1~~ ~~4~~ 3

⁰ 7, ¹ 7, ² 7, ³ 7, ⁴ 7

L min : ~~-1~~ ~~0~~ ~~1~~ ~~2~~ ~~3~~ 4

L max : -1

ans : 5

max \rightarrow 7

min \rightarrow 7

Q Given an array. Count the no. of leaders.

Leader: An element that is greater than all the elements on the left side.

$$A[i] > [0, i-1]$$

⁰ 2, ¹ 5, ² 3, ³ 4, ⁴ 17, ⁵ 16

[2, 5, 17] \rightarrow 3

• For every element $A[i]$ in the array

• iterate from 0 to $i-1$

& check if $A[i]$ is greater than all elements in this range

TC: $O(N^2)$

7, 3, 2, 9, 12, 6, 8, 20

max: ~~7~~ ~~9~~ ~~12~~ 20

ans: ~~7~~ ~~2~~ ~~8~~ 4