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def update balances(trans list):
   balances = {}
   for trans in trans list:
        for payer, amt in trans['paid_by']: #update balances for payments
            balances[payer] = balances.get(payer, 0) + amt
        for borrower, amt in trans['split as']:
            balances[borrower] = balances.get(borrower, 0) - amt
    return balances
def find shortest transfers(balances):
    payments = []
   while True: #loops until there are no more borrowers or lenders
        borrowers = sorted(filter(lambda x: balances[x] < 0, balances))</pre>
        lenders = sorted(filter(lambda x: balances[x] > 0, balances))
        if not borrowers or not lenders: # exit if no borrowers or lenders
            break
        borrower, lender = borrowers[0], lenders[0] #select first borrower &lender
        amt = min(abs(balances[borrower]), balances[lender]) #determine transfer amount
        payments.append([lender, borrower, amt])#add payment to list
        balances[borrower] += amt #update balance
        balances[lender] -= amt
    return payments
def print payments(payments): #function to print the payments
    print(len(payments))
    for payment in payments:
        print(payment[1],payment[0],payment[2])
def main():
   N, M = map(int, input().split()) # get input for num of people (N) and num of transactions (M)
    if not (2 \le N \le 2 * 10**5) or not (1 \le M \le 5000): #input validation
        exit()
   trans_list = []
    for i in range(M): # for loop to get details for each transaction
        trans id = input().strip() #map() converts input strings into integer
        n_payers, n_splits = map(int, input().split()) #which are assigned to variable payer and amt_paic
        if not (1 <= n_payers + n_splits <= 50): #check if the total number of payers and splitters is wi
            print()
            exit()
        paid_by = []
        split as = []
        for _ in range(n_payers): #input details for payers
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3 5 18 3 6 20

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            payer, amt_paid = map(int, input().split()) #map converts input strings into integer
            paid_by.append([payer, amt_paid]) #which are assigned here, variables payer and amt_paid
        for _ in range(n_splits): #input details for splitters
            splitter, amt_split = map(int, input().split()) #map() converts inputs strings into integer
            split_as.append([splitter, amt_split]) #which are assigned to variables splitter and amt_spli
        trans_list.append({'transaction_id': trans_id, 'paid_by': paid_by, 'split_as': split_as})
    balances = update balances(trans list) # updates balance on transactions
    payments = find_shortest_transfers(balances) #update shortest path to settle balances to payments
    print_payments(payments) #print payments needed to pay
if __name__ == "__main__":
   main()
    6 5
     #itsmylife
     2 3
     1 25
     3 15
     4 10
     5 25
     6 5
     #itsnow
     1 4
     4 100
     1 25
     2 25
     3 25
     4 25
     #ornever
     2 2
     5 30
     3 10
    1 25
     4 15
     #iaintgonna
     1 3
     2 150
     1 50
     2 50
     3 50
     #liveforever
     2 2
    5 13
     6 25
     4 25
     1 13
     5
    1 2 75
    1 4 13
     3 4 12
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