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1552. Magnetic Force Between Two Balls

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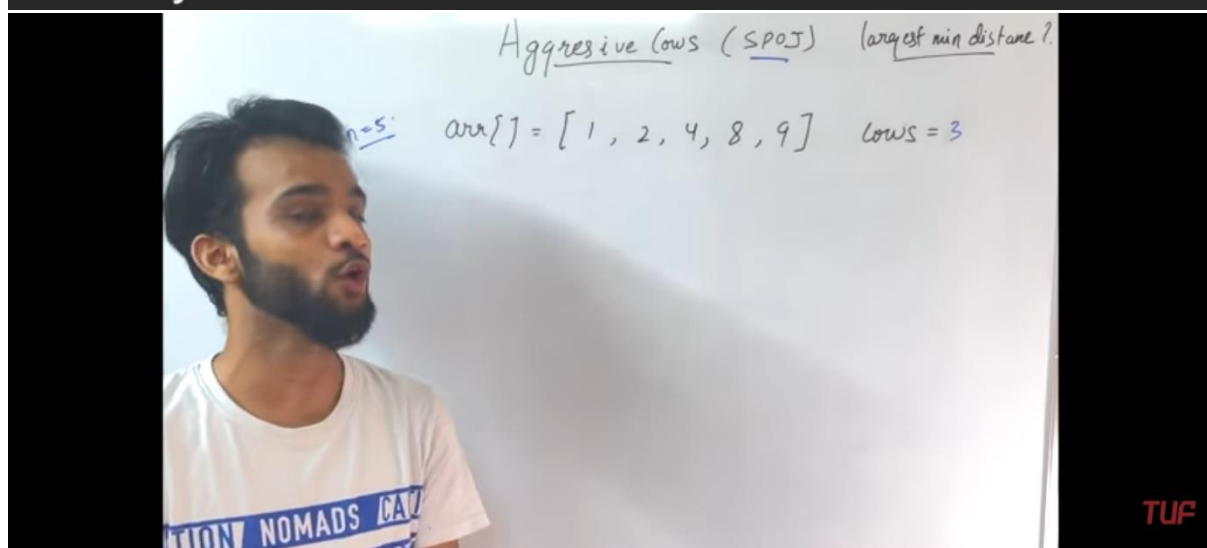
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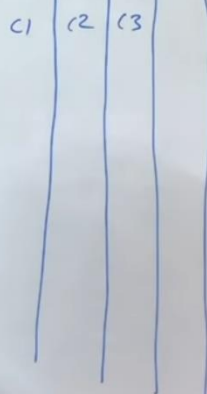
1482. Minimum Number of Days to Make m Bouquets

2064. Minimized Maximum of Products Distributed to Any Store



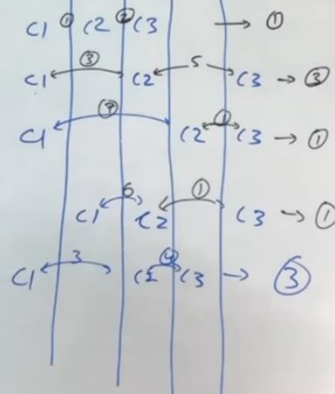
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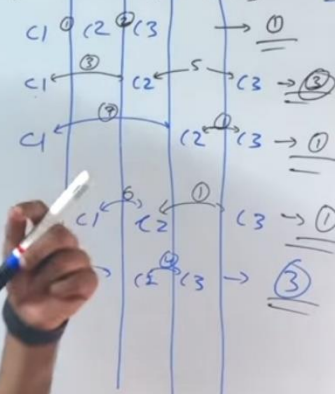
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Ans = 3



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① $O(N^2)$ $c_1 \rightarrow c_2 \rightarrow c_3$ ✓
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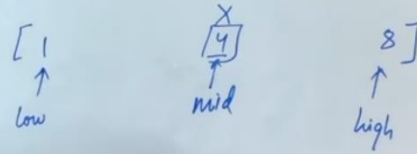
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[1 4 8]
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 low mid high

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ans = 2 Aggressive Cows (SPOJ) largest min distance?

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$\{3\}$ $\{4\}$
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Sort
 $\{3\}$ $\{4\}$
 high < low

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low = 1 high = a[n-1] - a[0]

< 1

largest min dist? low = 1 high = a[n-1] - a[0]

while (low <= high) {

mid = (low + high) >> 1;

if (canPlace(cows, mid))

res = mid;

low = mid + 1;

else

high = mid - 1;

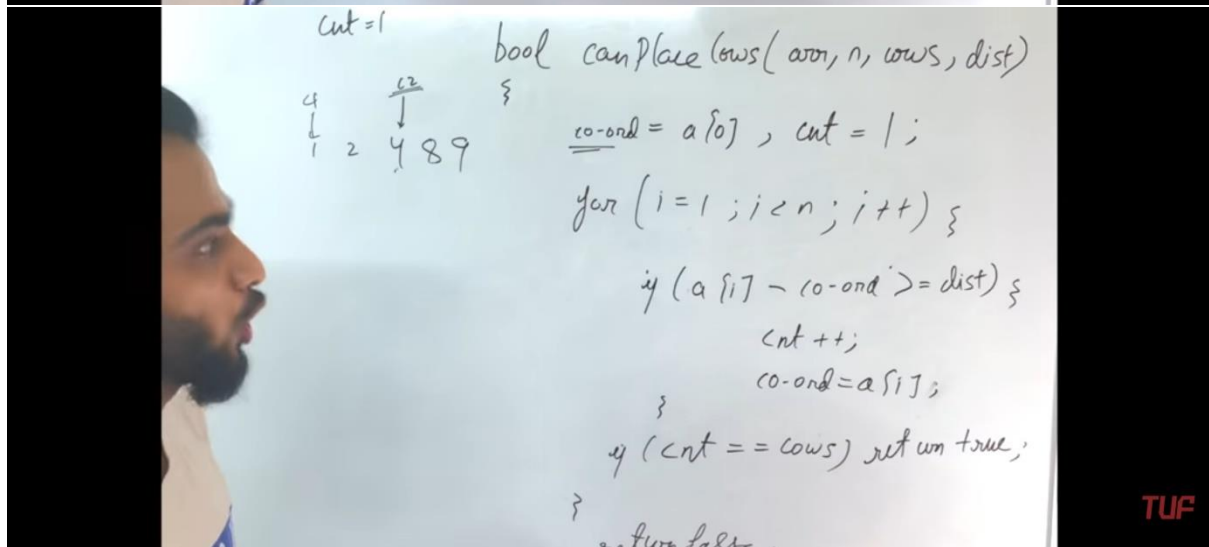
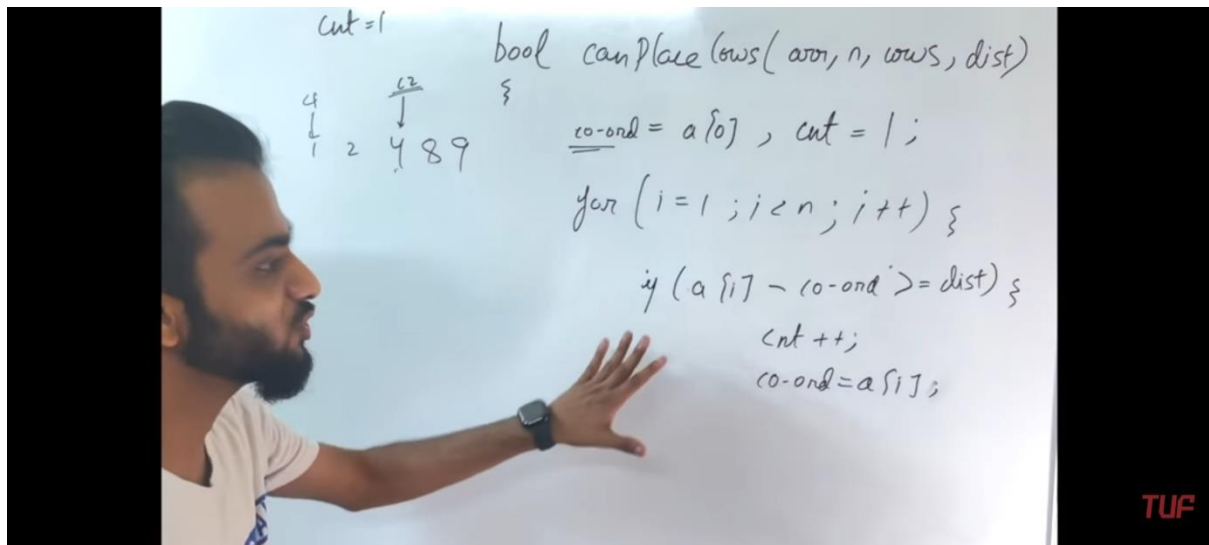
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cnt = 1

4
1 2 4 8 9

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{
    co-ord = a[i]; cnt = 1;
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
        if (a[i] - co-ord >= dist) {
            cnt++;
            co-ord = a[i];
        }
        if (cnt == cows) return true;
    }
    return false;
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S is the search space length

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N in log N of BS is the search space length

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