

Through all this mask subpatterns

Enumerating subpatterns fixed mask

Dana bitmask m . Requires effectively enumerate all its subpatterns, ie such masks s , which can be included only those bits that are included in the mask m .

Immediately look at the implementation of this algorithm, based on tricks with Boolean operations:

```
int s = m;
while (s > 0) {
    ... You can use the s ...
    s = (s-1) & m;
}
```

or by using a more compact operator *for*:

```
for (int s=m; s; s=(s-1)&m)
    ... You can use the s ...
```

The only exception for both versions of the code - the subpattern is zero, will not be processed. Processing it will take out of the loop, or use a less elegant design, for example:

```
for (int s=m; ; s=(s-1)&m) {
    ...You can use the s ...
    if (s==0) break;
}
```

Let us examine why the above code really finds all of this mask subpattern, without repetitions in $O(\text{number})$, and in descending order.

Let us have a current capturing subpattern s , and we want to move to the next subpattern. Subtract from the mask s unit, thus we remove the rightmost single bit, and all the bits to put it in the right 1 . Next, remove all the "extra" bits set, which are not included in the mask m , and therefore can not be included in the subpattern. Removal operation is performed bit $\&m$. As a result, we "cut off the" mask $s - 1$ before the largest value that it can take, ie until after the next subpattern s in descending order.

Thus, the algorithm generates all subpatterns this mask in order strictly decreasing, spending on each transition two elementary operations.

Especially, consider the moment when $s = 0$. After running $s - 1$ we get a mask in which all bits are included (bit representation of the number -1), and after removing the extra bits operation $(s - 1) \& m$ will nothing but a mask m . Therefore, the mask $s = 0$ should be careful - if time does not stop at zero mask, the algorithm may enter an infinite loop.

Through all the masks with their subpatterns. Rating 3^n

In many problems, especially in the dynamic programming by masks is required to sort out all the masks, and masks for each - all subpatterns:

```
for (int m=0; m<(1<<n); ++m)
    for (int s=m; s; s=(s-1)&m)
        ... Use s and m ...
```

We prove that the inner loop will execute total $O(3^n)$ iterations.

Proof: 1 way . Consider i the first bit. For it, in general, there are exactly three options: it is not included in the mask m (and hence in the subpattern s) it enters m , but is not included s , it is included m in the s . Total bits n , so all will be different combinations 3^n , as required.

Proof: 2 way . Note that if the mask m has k included bits, it will have 2^k subpatterns. Since the length of the masks n with k bits have included C_n^k (see "binomial coefficients"), then all combinations will be:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k 2^k.$$

Calculate this amount. For this we note that it is nothing like the binomial theorem expansion in the expression $(1 + 2)^n$, ie 3^n , as required.