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**EXERCISE REPORT
DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING - PART 1**

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1. Exercise

1.1. Problem: [Here](#)

1.2. Solution:

The above problem is converted to the problem of calculating $\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{3i}{k}$ for each positive integer k .

We define the array $dp[k]$ of size $3n$, which computes

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i}{k} = \binom{0}{k} + \binom{3}{k} + \dots + \binom{3n-3}{k}$$

Under this definition, $ans[k] = (dp[k] + \binom{3n}{k}) \bmod (10^9 + 7)$, where ans is what we want to find.

We known that Hockey Stick Identity is $\binom{0}{k} + \binom{1}{k} + \binom{2}{k} + \dots + \binom{3n-1}{k} = \binom{3n}{k+1}$. We also known that $\binom{3i+1}{k} = \binom{3i}{k} + \binom{3i}{k-1}$ and $\binom{3i+2}{k} = \binom{3i}{k} + 2\binom{3i}{k-1} + \binom{3i}{k-2}$. For $k \geq 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} dp[k] &= \binom{3n}{k+1} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i+1}{k} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i+2}{k} \\ &= \binom{3n}{k+1} - 2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i}{k} - 3 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i}{k-1} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{3i}{k-2} \\ &= \binom{3n}{k+1} - 2 \cdot dp[k] - 3 \cdot dp[k-1] - dp[k-2] \\ \iff 3 \cdot dp[k] &= \binom{3n}{k+1} - 3 \cdot dp[k-1] - dp[k-2] \\ \iff dp[k] &= \frac{\binom{3n}{k+1} - 3 \cdot dp[k-1] - dp[k-2]}{3} \end{aligned}$$

The base cases are $dp[0] = n$ and $dp[1] = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 3i$.

Thus we can compute ans for all $0 \leq k \leq 3n$ with the above dp array. Each query can now be answered trivially.

The time complexity is $O(n + q)$ with combinatorial precomputation and

modular multiplicative inverse, and the memory complexity is $O(n)$.