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1,Two Sum:
Python_solution:
Here is a Python solution in O(n) time
class Solution(object):
  def twoSum(self, nums, target):
   if len(nums) \le 1:
      return False
   buff dict = {}
    for i in range(len(nums)):
      if nums[i] in buff_dict:
        return [buff_dict[nums[i]], i]
      else:
        buff_dict[target - nums[i]] = i
Best_solution:
Accepted Java O(n) Solution
public int[] twoSum(int[] numbers, int target) {
  int[] result = new int[2];
  Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
  for (int i = 0; i < numbers.length; i++) {
   if (map.containsKey(target - numbers[i])) {
      result[1] = i + 1;
      result[0] = map.get(target - numbers[i]);
     return result;
   map.put(numbers[i], i + 1);
  return result;
}
2,Add Two Numbers:
Python_solution:
Clear python code, straight forward
class Solution:
# @return a ListNode
def addTwoNumbers(self, l1, l2):
  carry = 0
  root = n = ListNode(0)
  while l1 or l2 or carry:
   v1 = v2 = 0
   if l1:
     v1 = l1.val
     l1 = l1.next
   if l2:
     v2 = 12.val
     12 = 12.next
    carry, val = divmod(v1+v2+carry, 10)
   n.next = ListNode(val)
   n = n.next
  return root.next
Best_solution:
Is this Algorithm optimal or what?
public class Solution {
  public ListNode addTwoNumbers(ListNode l1, ListNode l2) {
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ListNode c1 = l1;
   ListNode c2 = l2;
   ListNode sentinel = new ListNode(0);
    ListNode d = sentinel;
   int sum = 0;
   while (c1 != null || c2 != null) {
     sum /= 10;
     if (c1 != null) {
        sum += c1.val;
        c1 = c1.next;
     if (c2 != null) {
        sum += c2.val;
        c2 = c2.next;
      d.next = new ListNode(sum % 10);
     d = d.next;
   }
   if (sum / 10 == 1)
      d.next = new ListNode(1);
    return sentinel.next;
 }
}
3,Longest Substring Without Repeating Characters:
Python_solution:
A Python solution - 85ms - O(n)
class Solution:
  #@return an integer
  def lengthOfLongestSubstring(self, s):
    start = maxLength = 0
   usedChar = {}
   for i in range(len(s)):
      if s[i] in usedChar and start <= usedChar[s[i]]:
        start = usedChar[s[i]] + 1
      else:
        maxLength = max(maxLength, i - start + 1)
      usedChar[s[i]] = i
    return maxLength
Best_solution:
11-line simple Java solution, O(n) with explanation
 public int lengthOfLongestSubstring(String s) {
    if (s.length()==0) return 0;
    HashMap<Character, Integer> map = new HashMap<Character, Integer>();
    int max=0;
    for (int i=0, j=0; i < s.length(); ++i){
      if (map.containsKey(s.charAt(i))){
        j = Math.max(j,map.get(s.charAt(i))+1);
     map.put(s.charAt(i),i);
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max = Math.max(max,i-j+1);
    return max;
  }
4, Median of Two Sorted Arrays:
Python_solution:
Intuitive Python O(log (m+n)) solution, by kth smallest in the two sorted arrays, 252ms
def findMedianSortedArrays(self, A, B):
 l = len(A) + len(B)
  if 1 \% 2 == 1:
    return self.kth(A, B, l // 2)
  else:
    return (self.kth(A, B, l // 2) + self.kth(A, B, l // 2 - 1)) / 2.
def kth(self, a, b, k):
  if not a:
    return b[k]
  if not b:
    return a[k]
  ia, ib = len(a) // 2, len(b) // 2
  ma, mb = a[ia], b[ib]
  # when k is bigger than the sum of a and b's median indices
  if ia + ib < k:
    # if a's median is bigger than b's, b's first half doesn't include k
      return self.kth(a, b[ib + 1:], k - ib - 1)
      return self.kth(a[ia + 1:], b, k - ia - 1)
  # when k is smaller than the sum of a and b's indices
  else:
    # if a's median is bigger than b's, a's second half doesn't include k
    if ma > mb:
      return self.kth(a[:ia], b, k)
    else:
      return self.kth(a, b[:ib], k)
Best_solution:
Share my O(log(min(m,n)) solution with explanation
dividing a set into two equal length subsets, that one subset is always greater than the other
5,Longest Palindromic Substring:
Python_solution:
Python O(n^2) method with some optimization, 88ms.
class Solution:
  #@return a string
  def longestPalindrome(self, s):
    if len(s) == 0:
         return 0
    maxLen=1
    start=0
    for i in xrange(len(s)):
          if \ i\text{-maxLen} >= 1 \ and \ s[i\text{-maxLen-1}:i+1] == s[i\text{-maxLen-1}:i+1][::-1]:
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start=i-maxLen-1
                   maxLen+=2
                   continue
         if \ i\text{-maxLen} >= 0 \ and \ s[i\text{-maxLen}:i+1] == s[i\text{-maxLen}:i+1][::-1]:
                   start=i-maxLen
                   maxLen+=1
    return s[start:start+maxLen]
Best_solution:
Very simple clean java solution
public class Solution {
private int lo, maxLen;
public String longestPalindrome(String s) {
         int len = s.length();
         if (len < 2)
                   return s;
  for (int i = 0; i < len-1; i++) {
         extendPalindrome(s, i, i); //assume odd length, try to extend Palindrome as possible
         extendPalindrome(s, i, i+1); //assume even length.
  return s.substring(lo, lo + maxLen);
}
private void extendPalindrome(String s, int j, int k) {
         while (j \ge 0 \&\& k < s.length() \&\& s.charAt(j) == s.charAt(k)) {
                   j--;
                   k++;
         if (\max Len < k - j - 1) {
                   lo = j + 1;
                   maxLen = k - j - 1;
         }
}}
6,ZigZag Conversion:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) Solution in 96ms (99.43%)
class Solution(object):
  def convert(self, s, numRows):
   :type s: str
   :type numRows: int
   :rtype: str
   if numRows == 1 or numRows >= len(s):
      return s
   L = [''] * numRows
   index, step = 0, 1
    for x in s:
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L[index] += x
      if index == 0:
        step = 1
      elif index == numRows -1:
        step = -1
      index += step
    return ".join(L)
Best_solution:
Easy to understand Java solution
public String convert(String s, int nRows) {
  char[] c = s.toCharArray();
  int len = c.length;
  StringBuffer[] sb = new StringBuffer[nRows];
  for (int i = 0; i < sb.length; i++) sb[i] = new StringBuffer();
 int i = 0;
  while (i < len) {
   for (int idx = 0; idx < nRows && i < len; idx++) // vertically down
      sb[idx].append(c[i++]);
   for (int idx = nRows-2; idx >= 1 && i < len; idx--) // obliquely up
      sb[idx].append(c[i++]);
  }
  for (int idx = 1; idx < sb.length; idx++)
   sb[0].append(sb[idx]);
  return sb[0].toString();
}
7,Reverse Integer:
Python_solution:
Golfing in Python
s
Best_solution:
My accepted 15 lines of code for Java
public int reverse(int x)
{
 int result = 0;
 while (x != 0)
   int tail = x \% 10;
   int newResult = result * 10 + tail;
   if ((newResult - tail) / 10 != result)
   { return 0; }
   result = newResult;
   x = x / 10;
  }
  return result;
8,String to Integer (atoi):
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Python_solution:

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Python solution based on RegEx
class Solution:
  #@return an integer
 def atoi(self, str):
   str = str.strip()
   str = re.findall('(^[\+\-0]*\d+)\D*', str)
   try:
     result = int(".join(str))
     MAX_{INT} = 2147483647
     MIN_INT = -2147483648
     if result > MAX_INT > 0:
        return MAX_INT
      elif result < MIN_INT < 0:
        return MIN_INT
      else:
        return result
   except:
     return 0
Best_solution:
My simple solution
int atoi(const char *str) {
  int sign = 1, base = 0, i = 0;
  while (str[i] == ' ') { i++; }
 if (str[i] == '-' || str[i] == '+') {
   sign = 1 - 2 * (str[i++] == '-');
 while (str[i] \ge '0' \&\& str[i] \le '9') \{
   if (base > INT_MAX / 10 || (base == INT_MAX / 10 && str[i] - '0' > 7)) {
     if (sign == 1) return INT_MAX;
     else return INT_MIN;
   }
   base = 10 * base + (str[i++] - '0');
 }
  return base * sign;
9,Palindrome Number:
Python_solution:
Python solution based on the algorithm in leetcode blog
class Solution:
  # @param x, an integer
  #@return a boolean
  def isPalindrome(self, x):
   if x < 0:
      return False
    ranger = 1
   while x / ranger >= 10:
      ranger *= 10
   while x:
     left = x / ranger
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right = x \% 10
     if left != right:
        return False
     x = (x \% ranger) / 10
      ranger /= 100
    return True
Best solution:
9-line accepted Java code, without the need of handling overflow
public boolean isPalindrome(int x) {
  if (x<0 | (x!=0 & x\%10==0)) return false;
  int rev = 0;
  while (x>rev){
         rev = rev*10 + x%10;
         x = x/10;
 }
 return (x==rev || x==rev/10);
}
10, Regular Expression Matching:
Python_solution:
My DP approach in Python with comments and unittest
test_symbol_0
Best_solution:
My concise recursive and DP solutions with full explanation in C++
class Solution {
public:
  bool isMatch(string s, string p) {
   if (p.empty()) return s.empty();
   if ('*' == p[1])
      //x^* matches empty string or at least one character: x^* -> xx^*
      //*s is to ensure s is non-empty
      return (isMatch(s, p.substr(2)) || !s.empty() && (s[0] == p[0] || '.' == p[0]) && isMatch(s.substr(1), p));
      return !s.empty() && (s[0] == p[0] || '.' == p[0]) && isMatch(s.substr(1), p.substr(1));
 }
};
class Solution {
public:
  bool isMatch(string s, string p) {
    * f[i][j]: if s[0..i-1] matches p[0..j-1]
    * if p[j-1]!='*'
    * f[i][j] = f[i-1][j-1] && s[i-1] == p[j-1]
    * if p[j - 1] == '*', denote p[j - 2] with x
    * f[i][j] is true iff any of the following is true
    * 1) "x*" repeats 0 time and matches empty: f[i][j-2]
    * 2) "x^*" repeats >= 1 times and matches "x^*x": s[i - 1] == x && f[i - 1][j]
    * '.' matches any single character
    */
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int m = s.size(), n = p.size();
    vector<vector<bool>> f(m + 1, vector<bool>(n + 1, false));
    f[0][0] = true;
    for (int i = 1; i \le m; i++)
      f[i][0] = false;
    // p[0.., j-3, j-2, j-1] matches empty iff p[j-1] is '*' and p[0..j-3] matches empty
    for (int j = 1; j \le n; j++)
      f[0][j] = j > 1 && '*' == p[j - 1] && f[0][j - 2];
    for (int i = 1; i \le m; i++)
      for (int j = 1; j \le n; j++)
        if (p[j-1]!='*')
           f[i][j] = f[i-1][j-1] && (s[i-1] == p[j-1] || '.' == p[j-1]);
        else
           // p[0] cannot be '*' so no need to check "j > 1" here
           f[i][j] = f[i][j-2] \mid \mid (s[i-1] == p[j-2] \mid \mid '.' == p[j-2]) && f[i-1][j];
    return f[m][n];
 }
};
11,Container With Most Water:
Best_solution:
My concise recursive and DP solutions with full explanation in C++
class Solution {
public:
  bool isMatch(string s, string p) {
    if (p.empty()) return s.empty();
    if ('*' == p[1])
      // x^* matches empty string or at least one character: x^* -> xx^*
      //*s is to ensure s is non-empty
      return (isMatch(s, p.substr(2)) |\cdot| s.empty() && (s[0] == p[0] |\cdot| '.' == p[0]) && isMatch(s.substr(1), p));
    else
      return !s.empty() && (s[0] == p[0] || '.' == p[0]) && isMatch(s.substr(1), p.substr(1));
 }
};
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    * f[i][j] = f[i-1][j-1] && s[i-1] == p[j-1]
    * if p[j-1] == '*', denote p[j-2] with x
    * f[i][j] is true iff any of the following is true
    * 1) "x*" repeats 0 time and matches empty: f[i][j-2]
    * 2) "x^*" repeats >= 1 times and matches "x^*x": s[i - 1] == x \&\& f[i - 1][j]
    * '.' matches any single character
    */
```

```
vector<vector<bool>> f(m + 1, vector<bool>(n + 1, false));
    f[0][0] = true;
    for (int i = 1; i \le m; i++)
      f[i][0] = false;
    // p[0.., j-3, j-2, j-1] matches empty iff p[j-1] is '*' and p[0..j-3] matches empty
    for (int j = 1; j \le n; j++)
      f[0][j] = j > 1 && '*' == p[j - 1] && f[0][j - 2];
    for (int i = 1; i \le m; i++)
      for (int j = 1; j \le n; j++)
        if (p[j - 1]!= '*')
          f[i][j] = f[i-1][j-1] && (s[i-1] == p[j-1] || '.' == p[j-1]);
        else
          // p[0] cannot be '*' so no need to check "j > 1" here
          f[i][j] = f[i][j-2] \mid \mid (s[i-1] == p[j-2] \mid \mid '.' == p[j-2]) && f[i-1][j];
    return f[m][n];
 }
};
12,Integer to Roman:
Python_solution:
Share My Python Solution 96ms
M = ["", "M", "MM", "MMM"];
C = ["", "C", "CC", "CCC", "CD", "D", "DC", "DCC", "DCCC", "CM"];
X = ["", "X", "XX", "XXX", "XL", "L", "LX", "LXX", "LXXX", "XC"];
I = ["", "I", "III", "III", "IV", "V", "VI", "VII", "VIII", "IX"];
return M[num/1000] + C[(num%1000)/100] + X[(num%100)/10] + I[num%10];
Best_solution:
Simple Solution
public static String intToRoman(int num) {
  String M[] = {"", "M", "MM", "MMM"};
  String C[] = {"", "C", "CC", "CCC", "CD", "D", "DC", "DCC", "DCCC", "CM"};
  String X[] = {"", "X", "XX", "XXX", "XL", "L", "LX", "LXX", "LXXX", "XC"};
  String \ I[] = \{"", "I", "II", "III", "IV", "V", "VI", "VII", "VIII", "IX"\};
  return\ M[num/1000] + C[(num\%1000)/100] + X[(num\%100)/10] + I[num\%10];
13,Roman to Integer:
Python\_solution:
My Straightforward Python Solution
class Solution:
# @param {string} s
# @return {integer}
def romanToInt(self, s):
  roman = {'M': 1000,'D': 500,'C': 100,'L': 50,'X': 10,'V': 5,'I': 1}
  for i in range(0, len(s) - 1):
    if roman[s[i]] < roman[s[i+1]]:</pre>
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int m = s.size(), n = p.size();

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else:
     z += roman[s[i]]
 return z + roman[s[-1]]
Best_solution:
My solution for this question but I don't know is there any easier way?
public int romanToInt(String s) {
  int sum=0:
 if(s.indexOf("IV")!=-1){sum-=2;}
 if(s.indexOf("IX")!=-1){sum-=2;}
 if(s.indexOf("XL")!=-1){sum-=20;}
 if(s.indexOf("XC")!=-1){sum-=20;}
 if(s.indexOf("CD")!=-1){sum-=200;}
 if(s.indexOf("CM")!=-1)\{sum-=200;\}\\
 char c[]=s.toCharArray();
 int count=0;
 for(;count<=s.length()-1;count++){</pre>
   if(c[count]=='M')sum+=1000;
   if(c[count]=='D')sum+=500;
   if(c[count]=='C') sum+=100;
   if(c[count]=='L')sum+=50;
   if(c[count]=='X') sum+=10;
   if(c[count]=='V') sum+=5;
   if(c[count]=='I') sum+=1;
 }
 return sum;
14,Longest Common Prefix:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution
class Solution:
 # @return a string
 def longestCommonPrefix(self, strs):
   if not strs:
     return ""
   for i, letter_group in enumerate(zip(*strs)):
     if len(set(letter_group)) > 1:
        return strs[0][:i]
   else:
     return min(strs)
Best_solution:
Java code with 13 lines
public String longestCommonPrefix(String[] strs) {
 if(strs == null || strs.length == 0) return "";
 String pre = strs[0];
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z = roman[s[i]]

}

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int i = 1;
 while(i < strs.length){
   while(strs[i].indexOf(pre) != 0)
     pre = pre.substring(0,pre.length()-1);
   i++;
 }
  return pre;
}
15,3Sum:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solution (O(n*n) \text{ time}).
def threeSum(self, nums):
  res = []
 nums.sort()
  for i in xrange(len(nums)-2):
   if i > 0 and nums[i] == nums[i-1]:
     continue
   l, r = i+1, len(nums)-1
   while l < r:
     s = nums[i] + nums[l] + nums[r]
     if s < 0:
        1 += 1
      elif s > 0:
        r -= 1
      else:
        res.append((nums[i], nums[l], nums[r]))
        while l < r and nums[l] == nums[l+1]:
        while l < r and nums[r] == nums[r-1]:
          r = 1
        l += 1; r -= 1
  return res
Best_solution:
Concise O(N^2) Java solution
public List<List<Integer>> threeSum(int[] num) {
  Arrays.sort(num);
  List<List<Integer>> res = new LinkedList<>();
  for (int i = 0; i < num.length-2; i++) {
   if (i == 0 || (i > 0 \&\& num[i] != num[i-1])) {
     int lo = i+1, hi = num.length-1, sum = 0 - num[i];
     while (lo < hi) {
        if (num[lo] + num[hi] == sum) {
          res.add(Arrays.asList(num[i], num[lo], num[hi]));
          while (lo < hi && num[lo] == num[lo+1]) lo++;
          while (lo < hi &\& num[hi] == num[hi-1]) hi--;
          lo++; hi--;
        } else if (num[lo] + num[hi] < sum) lo++;
        else hi--;
   }
  return res;
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16,3Sum Closest:
Python_solution:
Python O(N^2) solution
class Solution:
  # @return an integer
  def threeSumClosest(self, num, target):
    num.sort()
    result = num[0] + num[1] + num[2]
    for i in range(len(num) - 2):
      j, k = i+1, len(num) - 1
      while j < k:
        sum = num[i] + num[j] + num[k]
        if sum == target:
          return sum
        if abs(sum - target) < abs(result - target):
          result = sum
        if sum < target:
          i += 1
        elif sum > target:
          k = 1
    return result
Best solution:
A n^2 Solution, Can we do better?
int threeSumClosest(vector<int> &num, int target) {
  vector<int> v(num.begin(), num.end()); // I didn't wanted to disturb original array.
  int n = 0;
  int ans = 0:
  int sum;
  sort(v.begin(), v.end());
  // If less then 3 elements then return their sum
  while (v.size() \le 3) {
   return accumulate(v.begin(), v.end(), 0);
  n = v.size();
  /* v[0] v[1] v[2] ... v[i] .... v[j] ... v[k] ... v[n-2] v[n-1]
              v[i] \le v[j] \le v[k] always, because we sorted our array.
  * Now, for each number, v[i]: we look for pairs v[j] & v[k] such that
  * absolute value of (target - (v[i] + v[j] + v[k]) is minimised.
  \ensuremath{^*} if the sum of the triplet is greater then the target it implies
  * we need to reduce our sum, so we do K = K - 1, that is we reduce
  * our sum by taking a smaller number.
  * Simillarly if sum of the triplet is less then the target then we
  * increase out sum by taking a larger number, i.e. J = J + 1.
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}

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*/
  ans = v[0] + v[1] + v[2];
  for (int i = 0; i < n-2; i++) {
    int j = i + 1;
    int k = n - 1;
    while (j < k) {
      sum = v[i] + v[j] + v[k];
      if (abs(target - ans) > abs(target - sum)) {
        ans = sum:
        if (ans == target) return ans;
      (sum > target) ? k--: j++;
    }
 }
  return ans;
17,Letter Combinations of a Phone Number:
Python_solution:
One line python solution
class Solution:
  # @return a list of strings, [s1, s2]
  def letterCombinations(self, digits):
    if " == digits: return []
    kvmaps = {
      '2': 'abc',
      '3': 'def',
      '4': 'ghi',
      '5': 'jkl',
      '6': 'mno',
      '7': 'pgrs',
      '8': 'tuv',
      '9': 'wxyz'
    return reduce(lambda acc, digit: [x + y for x in acc for y in kvmaps[digit]], digits, ["])
Best_solution:
My java solution with FIFO queue
  public List<String> letterCombinations(String digits) {
  LinkedList<String> ans = new LinkedList<String>();
  String[]\ mapping = new\ String[]\ \{"0","1","abc","def","ghi","jkl","mno","pqrs","tuv","wxyz"\};
  ans.add("");
  for(int i =0; i<digits.length();i++){</pre>
    int x = Character.getNumericValue(digits.charAt(i));
    while(ans.peek().length()==i){
      String t = ans.remove();
      for(char s : mapping[x].toCharArray())
        ans.add(t+s);
   }
 return ans;
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18,4Sum:
Python_solution:
Python 140ms beats 100%, and works for N-sum (N>=2)
def fourSum(self, nums, target):
  nums.sort()
  results = []
  self.findNsum(nums, target, 4, [], results)
  return results
def findNsum(self, nums, target, N, result, results):
  if len(nums) < N or N < 2: return
  # solve 2-sum
  if N == 2:
   l,r = 0,len(nums)-1
   while l < r:
      if nums[l] + nums[r] == target:
        results.append(result + [nums[l], nums[r]])
       l += 1
        r -= 1
        while l < r and nums[l] == nums[l - 1]:
        while r > l and nums[r] == nums[r + 1]:
          r -= 1
      elif nums[l] + nums[r] < target:
       1 += 1
     else:
        r = 1
  else:
    for i in range(0, len(nums)-N+1): # careful about range
      if target < nums[i]*N or target > nums[-1]*N: # take advantages of sorted list
        break
     if i == 0 or i > 0 and nums[i-1]!= nums[i]: # recursively reduce N
        self.findNsum(nums[i+1:], target-nums[i], N-1, result+[nums[i]], results)
  return
Best solution:
7ms java code win over 100%
public List<List<Integer>> fourSum(int[] nums, int target) {
                  ArrayList<List<Integer>> res = new ArrayList<List<Integer>>();
                  int len = nums.length;
                  if (nums == null || len < 4)
                            return res;
                  Arrays.sort(nums);
                  int max = nums[len - 1];
                  if (4 * nums[0] > target || 4 * max < target)
                            return res;
                  int i, z;
                  for (i = 0; i < len; i++) {
                            z = nums[i];
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if (i > 0 \&\& z == nums[i - 1])// avoid duplicate
                                      continue;
                            if (z + 3 * max < target) // z is too small
                                     continue;
                            if (4 * z > target) // z is too large
                                     break;
                            if (4 * z == target) \{ // z \text{ is the boundary } 
                                     if (i + 3 < len && nums[i + 3] == z)
                                               res.add(Arrays.asList(z, z, z, z));
                                     break;
                            }
                            threeSumForFourSum(nums, target - z, i + 1, len - 1, res, z);
                  }
                  return res;
         }
         \ensuremath{^{*}}\xspace Find all possible distinguished three numbers adding up to the target
         \ensuremath{^*} in sorted array nums[] between indices low and high. If there are,
          * add all of them into the ArrayList fourSumList, using
          * fourSumList.add(Arrays.asList(z1, the three numbers))
         fourSumList,
                            int z1) {
                  if (low + 1 \ge high)
                            return;
                  int max = nums[high];
                  if (3 * nums[low] > target || 3 * max < target)
                            return:
                  int i, z;
                  for (i = low; i < high - 1; i++) {
                            z = nums[i];
                            if (i > low \&\& z == nums[i - 1]) // avoid duplicate
                                      continue;
                            if (z + 2 * max < target) // z is too small
                                     continue;
                            if (3 * z > target) // z is too large
                                     break;
                            if (3 * z == target) \{ // z \text{ is the boundary } \}
                                     if (i + 1 < high \&\& nums[i + 2] == z)
                                               fourSumList.add(Arrays.asList(z1, z, z, z));
                                      break;
                            }
                            twoSumForFourSum(nums, target - z, i + 1, high, fourSumList, z1, z);
                  }
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}
         * Find all possible distinguished two numbers adding up to the target
         * in sorted array nums[] between indices low and high. If there are,
         * add all of them into the ArrayList fourSumList, using
         * fourSumList.add(Arrays.asList(z1, z2, the two numbers))
         public void twoSumForFourSum(int[] nums, int target, int low, int high, ArrayList<List<Integer>>
fourSumList,
                            int z1, int z2) {
                  if (low \geq high)
                            return;
                  if (2 * nums[low] > target || 2 * nums[high] < target)
                            return;
                  int i = low, j = high, sum, x;
                  while (i < j) {
                            sum = nums[i] + nums[j];
                            if (sum == target) {
                                     fourSumList.add(Arrays.asList(z1, z2, nums[i], nums[j]));
                                     x = nums[i];
                                     while (++i < j \&\& x == nums[i]) // avoid duplicate
                                     x = nums[j];
                                     while (i < --j \&\& x == nums[j]) // avoid duplicate
                            if (sum < target)
                                     i++;
                            if (sum > target)
                                     j--;
                  }
                  return;
         }
19,Remove Nth Node From End of List:
Python_solution:
3 short Python solutions
class Solution:
  def removeNthFromEnd(self, head, n):
    defindex(node):
     if not node:
        return 0
     i = index(node.next) + 1
     if i > n:
        node.next.val = node.val
      return i
    index(head)
```

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return head.next
Best_solution:
Simple Java solution in one pass
public ListNode removeNthFromEnd(ListNode head, int n) {
  ListNode start = new ListNode(0);
  ListNode slow = start, fast = start;
  slow.next = head:
  //Move fast in front so that the gap between slow and fast becomes n
  for(int i=1; i<=n+1; i++) {
   fast = fast.next;
  //Move fast to the end, maintaining the gap
  while(fast != null) {
   slow = slow.next;
   fast = fast.next;
  }
  //Skip the desired node
 slow.next = slow.next.next;
  return start.next;
}
20, Valid Parentheses:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution with stack
class Solution:
  #@return a boolean
  def isValid(self, s):
   stack = []
   dict = {"]":"[", "}":"{", ")":"("}
   for char in s:
     if char in dict.values():
        stack.append(char)
      elif char in dict.keys():
        if stack == [] or dict[char] != stack.pop():
          return False
      else:
        return False
    return stack == []
Best_solution:
Short java solution
public boolean isValid(String s) {
         Stack<Character> stack = new Stack<Character>();
         for (char c : s.toCharArray()) {
                   if (c == '('))
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stack.push(')');

stack.push('}');

stack.push(']');

else if $(c == '\{')$

else if (c == '[')

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else if (stack.isEmpty() || stack.pop() != c)
                             return false;
         return stack.isEmpty();
}
21, Merge Two Sorted Lists:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (iteratively, recursively, iteratively in-place).
# iteratively
def mergeTwoLists1(self, l1, l2):
  dummy = cur = ListNode(0)
  while l1 and l2:
   if l1.val < l2.val:
      cur.next = 11
      l1 = l1.next
   else:
      cur.next = 12
      12 = 12.next
    cur = cur.next
  cur.next = l1 or l2
  return dummy.next
# recursively
def mergeTwoLists2(self, l1, l2):
  if not l1 or not l2:
    return l1 or l2
  if l1.val < l2.val:
   l1.next = self.mergeTwoLists(l1.next, l2)
    return l1
  else:
   l2.next = self.mergeTwoLists(l1, l2.next)
    return 12
# in-place, iteratively
def mergeTwoLists(self, l1, l2):
  if None in (11, 12):
   return l1 or l2
  dummy = cur = ListNode(0)
  dummy.next = l1
  while l1 and l2:
   if l1.val < l2.val:
      l1 = l1.next
   else:
      nxt = cur.next
      cur.next = 12
      tmp = 12.next
      12.next = nxt
      12 = tmp
    cur = cur.next
  cur.next = 11 or 12
  return dummy.next
```

Best_solution:

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A recursive solution
class Solution {
public:
  ListNode *mergeTwoLists(ListNode *l1, ListNode *l2) {
   if(l1 == NULL) return l2;
   if(l2 == NULL) return l1;
   if(l1->val < l2->val) {
     l1->next = mergeTwoLists(l1->next, l2);
     return l1;
   } else {
     l2->next = mergeTwoLists(l2->next, l1);
   }
 }
};
22,Generate Parentheses:
Python_solution:
4-7 lines Python
Best_solution:
Easy to understand Java backtracking solution
public List<String> generateParenthesis(int n) {
   List<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
   backtrack(list, "", 0, 0, n);
   return list;
  }
  public void backtrack(List<String> list, String str, int open, int close, int max){
   if(str.length() == max*2){
     list.add(str);
      return;
   }
   if(open < max)
     backtrack(list, str+"(", open+1, close, max);
   if(close < open)
     backtrack(list, str+")", open, close+1, max);
  }
23, Merge k Sorted Lists:
Python_solution:
10-line python solution with priority queue
from Queue import PriorityQueue
class Solution(object):
  def mergeKLists(self, lists):
    dummy = ListNode(None)
    curr = dummy
   q = PriorityQueue()
```

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for node in lists:
      if node: q.put((node.val,node))
   while q.qsize()>0:
      curr.next = q.get()[1]
      curr=curr.next
     if curr.next: q.put((curr.next.val, curr.next))
    return dummy.next
Best solution:
A java solution based on Priority Queue
public class Solution {
  public ListNode mergeKLists(List<ListNode> lists) {
    if (lists==null||lists.size()==0) return null;
    PriorityQueue<ListNode> queue= new PriorityQueue<ListNode>(lists.size(),new Comparator<ListNode>(){
      @Override
      public int compare(ListNode o1,ListNode o2){
        if (o1.val<o2.val)
          return -1;
        else if (o1.val==o2.val)
          return 0;
        else
          return 1;
     }
   });
    ListNode dummy = new ListNode(0);
    ListNode tail=dummy;
    for (ListNode node:lists)
      if (node!=null)
        queue.add(node);
   while (!queue.isEmpty()){
      tail.next=queue.poll();
     tail=tail.next;
     if (tail.next!=null)
        queue.add(tail.next);
   }
   return dummy.next;
}
24,Swap Nodes in Pairs:
Python_solution:
7-8 lines C++ / Python / Ruby
pp
Best_solution:
My accepted java code. used recursion.
public class Solution {
  public ListNode swapPairs(ListNode head) {
   if ((head == null)||(head.next == null))
      return head;
```

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ListNode n = head.next;
   head.next = swapPairs(head.next.next);
   n.next = head;
   return n;
 }
}
25, Reverse Nodes in k-Group:
Python_solution:
Succinct iterative Python, O(n) time O(1) space
def reverseKGroup(self, head, k):
  dummy = jump = ListNode(0)
  dummy.next = l = r = head
 while True:
    count = 0
   while r and count < k: # use r to locate the range
     r = r.next
     count += 1
   if count == k: # if size k satisfied, reverse the inner linked list
      pre, cur = r, l
      for _ in range(k):
        cur.next, cur, pre = pre, cur.next, cur # standard reversing
     jump.next, jump, l = pre, l, r # connect two k-groups
      return dummy.next
Best_solution:
Short but recursive Java code with comments
public ListNode reverseKGroup(ListNode head, int k) {
  ListNode curr = head;
  int count = 0;
  while (curr != null \&\& count != k) { // find the k+1 node }
    curr = curr.next;
    count++;
  }
  if (count == k) { // if k+1 node is found
    curr = reverseKGroup(curr, k); // reverse list with k+1 node as head
   // head - head-pointer to direct part,
   // curr - head-pointer to reversed part;
   while (count--> 0) { // reverse current k-group:
     ListNode tmp = head.next; // tmp - next head in direct part
     head.next = curr; // preappending "direct" head to the reversed list
     curr = head; // move head of reversed part to a new node
     head = tmp; // move "direct" head to the next node in direct part
   head = curr;
 }
  return head;
}
```

26, Remove Duplicates from Sorted Array:

 $Python_solution:$

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Simple Python solution - O(n)
class Solution:
  # @param a list of integers
  #@return an integer
  def removeDuplicates(self, A):
    if not A:
      return 0
    newTail = 0
    for i in range(1, len(A)):
      if A[i] != A[newTail]:
        newTail += 1
        A[newTail] = A[i]
    return newTail + 1
Best_solution:
My Solution: Time O(n), Space O(1)
class Solution {
  public:
  int removeDuplicates(int A[], int n) {
    if(n < 2) return n;
    int id = 1;
    for(int i = 1; i < n; ++i)
      if(A[i] != A[i-1]) A[id++] = A[i];
    return id;
 }
};
27,Remove Element:
Python_solution:
Simple Python O(n) two pointer in place solution
 def removeElement(self, nums, val):
  start, end = 0, len(nums) - 1
  while start <= end:
    if nums[start] == val:
      nums[start], nums[end], end = nums[end], nums[start], end - 1
    else:
      start +=1
  return start
Best_solution:
My solution for your reference.
int removeElement(int A[], int n, int elem) {
  int begin=0;
  for(int i=0;i < n;i++) if(A[i]!=elem) A[begin++]=A[i];
  return begin;
}
28,Implement strStr():
Python_solution:
My answer by Python
class Solution(object):
def strStr(self, haystack, needle):
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.....
  :type haystack: str
 :type needle: str
  :rtype: int
  for i in range(len(haystack) - len(needle)+1):
   if haystack[i:i+len(needle)] == needle:
  return -1
Best_solution:
Elegant Java solution
public int strStr(String haystack, String needle) {
for (int i = 0; i++) {
  for (int j = 0; j++) {
  if (j == needle.length()) return i;
  if (i + j == haystack.length()) return -1;
  if (needle.charAt(j) != haystack.charAt(i + j)) break;
 }
}
}
29,Divide Two Integers:
Python_solution:
Clear python code
class Solution:
#@return an integer
def divide(self, dividend, divisor):
  positive = (dividend < 0) is (divisor < 0)
  dividend, divisor = abs(dividend), abs(divisor)
  res = 0
  while dividend >= divisor:
   temp, i = divisor, 1
   while dividend >= temp:
      dividend -= temp
     res += i
     i <<= 1
     temp <<= 1
  if not positive:
   res = -res
  return min(max(-2147483648, res), 2147483647)
Best_solution:
Detailed Explained 8ms C++ solution
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30, Substring with Concatenation of All Words:
Python_solution:
AC Python 80ms solution, dictionary and two pointers
def_findSubstring(self, l, r, n, k, t, s, req, ans):
  curr = {}
  while r + k \le n:
   w = s[r:r+k]
   r += k
   if w not in req:
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l = r
      curr.clear()
      curr[w] = curr[w] + 1 if w in curr else 1
      while curr[w] > req[w]:
        curr[s[l:l+k]] = 1
        l += k
      if r - l == t:
        ans.append(l)
def findSubstring(self, s, words):
  if not s or not words or not words[0]:
    return []
  n = len(s)
 k = len(words[0])
 t = len(words) * k
  req = \{\}
  for w in words:
   req[w] = req[w] + 1 if w in req else 1
  ans = \prod
  for i in xrange(min(k, n - t + 1)):
   self._findSubstring(i, i, n, k, t, s, req, ans)
  return ans
# 169 / 169 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 80 ms
# 98.60%
Best_solution:
An O(N) solution with detailed explanation
  // travel all the words combinations to maintain a window
  // there are wl(word len) times travel
  // each time, n/wl words, mostly 2 times travel for each word
  // one left side of the window, the other right side of the window
  // so, time complexity O(wl * 2 * N/wl) = O(2N)
  vector<int> findSubstring(string S, vector<string> &L) {
   vector<int> ans;
   int n = S.size(), cnt = L.size();
   if (n \le 0 \mid | cnt \le 0) return ans;
    // init word occurence
    unordered_map<string, int> dict;
    for (int i = 0; i < cnt; ++i) dict[L[i]]++;
   // travel all sub string combinations
   int wl = L[0].size();
    for (int i = 0; i < wl; ++i) {
      int left = i, count = 0;
      unordered_map<string, int> tdict;
      for (int j = i; j \le n - wl; j += wl) {
        string str = S.substr(j, wl);
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// a valid word, accumulate results
        if (dict.count(str)) {
          tdict[str]++;
          if(tdict[str] \le dict[str])
            count++;
          else {
            // a more word, advance the window left side possiablly
            while (tdict[str] > dict[str]) {
              string str1 = S.substr(left, wl);
              tdict[str1]--;
              if (tdict[str1] < dict[str1]) count--;</pre>
              left += wl;
            }
          }
          // come to a result
          if (count == cnt) {
            ans.push_back(left);
            // advance one word
            tdict[S.substr(left, wl)]--;
            count--;
            left += wl;
          }
        }
        // not a valid word, reset all vars
        else {
          tdict.clear();
          count = 0;
          left = j + wl;
        }
   return ans;
  }
31,Next Permutation:
Python_solution:
Easy python solution based on lexicographical permutation algorithm
class Solution(object):
  def nextPermutation(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: void Do not return anything, modify nums in-place instead.
    # find longest non-increasing suffix
    right = len(nums)-1
   while nums[right] <= nums[right-1] and right-1 >=0:
      right -= 1
   if right == 0:
      return self.reverse(nums,0,len(nums)-1)
    # find pivot
    pivot = right-1
   successor = 0
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# find rightmost succesor
   for i in range(len(nums)-1,pivot,-1):
     if nums[i] > nums[pivot]:
       successor = i
       break
   # swap pivot and successor
   nums[pivot],nums[successor] = nums[successor],nums[pivot]
   # reverse suffix
   self.reverse(nums,pivot+1,len(nums)-1)
 def reverse(self,nums,l,r):
   while l < r:
     nums[l],nums[r] = nums[r],nums[l]
     1 += 1
     r -= 1
Best_solution:
Share my O(n) time solution
public void nextPermutation(int[] num) {
 int n=num.length;
 if(n<2)
   return;
 int index=n-1;
 while(index>0){
   if(num[index-1]<num[index])</pre>
     break;
   index--;
 if(index==0){
   reverseSort(num,0,n-1);
   return;
 }
 else{
   int val=num[index-1];
   int j=n-1;
   while(j>=index){
     if(num[j]>val)
       break;
     j--;
   }
   swap(num,j,index-1);
   reverseSort(num,index,n-1);
   return;
 }
public void swap(int[] num, int i, int j){
 int temp=0;
 temp=num[i];
 num[i]=num[j];
 num[j]=temp;
```

}

}

```
public void reverseSort(int[] num, int start, int end){
  if(start>end)
    return;
  for(int i=start;i<=(end+start)/2;i++)
    swap(num,i,start+end-i);
}
32, Longest Valid Parentheses:
Python_solution:
Pure 1D-DP without using stack (python) with detailed explanation
class Solution(object):
  def longestValidParentheses(self, s):
    :type s: str
    :rtype: int
    # use 1D DP
    # dp[i] records the longestValidParenthese EXACTLY ENDING at s[i]
    dp = [0 \text{ for } x \text{ in } xrange(len(s))]
    max_to_now = 0
    for i in xrange(1,len(s)):
      if s[i] == ')':
        # case 1: ()()
        if s[i-1] == '(':
          \# add nearest parentheses pairs + 2
          dp[i] = dp[i-2] + 2
        # case 2: (())
        # i-dp[i-1]-1 is the index of last "(" not paired until this ")"
        elif i-dp[i-1]-1 >= 0 and s[i-dp[i-1]-1] == '(':
          if dp[i-1] > 0: # content within current matching pair is valid
          # add nearest parentheses pairs + 2 + parentheses before last "("
            dp[i] = dp[i-1] + 2 + dp[i-dp[i-1]-2]
          else:
          # otherwise is 0
            dp[i] = 0
        max_to_now = max(max_to_now, dp[i])
    return max_to_now
Best_solution:
My O(n) solution using a stack
class Solution {
public:
  int longestValidParentheses(string s) {
    int n = s.length(), longest = 0;
    stack<int> st;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
      if (s[i] == '(') st.push(i);
      else {
        if (!st.empty()) {
          if (s[st.top()] == '(') st.pop();
          else st.push(i);
        }
        else st.push(i);
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if (st.empty()) longest = n;
    else {
      int a = n, b = 0;
      while (!st.empty()) {
        b = st.top(); st.pop();
        longest = max(longest, a-b-1);
      longest = max(longest, a);
    return longest;
};
33, Search in Rotated Sorted Array:
Python_solution:
Pretty short C++/Java/Ruby/Python
def search(nums, target)
i = (0...nums.size).bsearch { |i|}
 (nums[0] \le target) ^ (nums[0] > nums[i]) ^ (target > nums[i])
 nums[i || 0] == target?i:-1
end
Best_solution:
Concise O(log N) Binary search solution
class Solution {
public:
  int search(int A∏, int n, int target) {
    int lo=0,hi=n-1;
    // find the index of the smallest value using binary search.
    // Loop will terminate since mid < hi, and lo or hi will shrink by at least 1.
    // Proof by contradiction that mid < hi: if mid==hi, then lo==hi and loop would have been terminated.
    while(lo<hi){
      int mid=(lo+hi)/2;
      if(A[mid]>A[hi]) lo=mid+1;
      else hi=mid;
    // lo==hi is the index of the smallest value and also the number of places rotated.
    int rot=lo;
    lo=0;hi=n-1;
    // The usual binary search and accounting for rotation.
    while(lo<=hi){
      int mid=(lo+hi)/2;
      int realmid=(mid+rot)%n;
      if(A[realmid]==target)return realmid;
      if(A[realmid]<target)lo=mid+1;</pre>
      else hi=mid-1;
    }
    return -1;
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};
34, Search for a Range:
Python_solution:
Search for the position target-0.5 and target+0.5, a simple python code with a little trick
class Solution:
# @param A, a list of integers
# @param target, an integer to be searched
# @return a list of length 2, [index1, index2]
def searchRange(self, arr, target):
  start = self.binary_search(arr, target-0.5)
  if arr[start] != target:
    return [-1, -1]
  arr.append(0)
  end = self.binary_search(arr, target+0.5)-1
  return [start, end]
def binary_search(self, arr, target):
  start, end = 0, len(arr)-1
  while start < end:
   mid = (start+end)//2
   if target < arr[mid]:
      end = mid
    else:
      start = mid+1
  return start
Best solution:
Clean iterative solution with two binary searches (with explanation)
case 1: [5 7] (A[i] = target < A[j])
case 2: [5 \ 3] (A[i] = target > A[j])
case 3: [5 5] (A[i] = target = A[j])
case 4: [3 5] (A[j] = target > A[i])
case 5: [3 7] (A[i] < target < A[j])
case 6: [3 4] (A[i] < A[j] < target)
case 7: [67] (target < A[i] < A[j])
35,Search Insert Position:
Python_solution:
Python beats 98%
class Solution(object):
def searchInsert(self, nums, key):
  if key > nums[len(nums) - 1]:
    return len(nums)
  if key < nums[0]:
    return 0
 l, r = 0, len(nums) - 1
  while l <= r:
    m = (l + r)/2
   if nums[m] > key:
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r = m - 1
      if r \ge 0:
        if nums[r] < key:
          return r + 1
      else:
        return 0
    elif nums[m] < key:
      l = m + 1
      if l < len(nums):
         if nums[l] > key:
           return l
      else:
        return len(nums)
    else:
      return m
Best_solution:
My 8 line Java solution
 public int searchInsert(int[] A, int target) {
    int low = 0, high = A.length-1;
    while(low<=high){
      int mid = (low+high)/2;
      if(A[mid] == target) return mid;
      else if(A[mid] > target) high = mid-1;
      else low = mid+1;
   }
    return low;
 }
36,Valid Sudoku:
Python_solution:
1-7 lines Python, 4 solutions
Counter
Best_solution:
My short solution by C++. O(n2)
class Solution
public:
 bool isValidSudoku(vector<vector<char> > &board)
    int used 1[9][9] = \{0\}, used 2[9][9] = \{0\}, used 3[9][9] = \{0\};
    for(int i = 0; i < board.size(); ++ i)
      for(int j = 0; j < board[i].size(); ++ j)
        if(board[i][j] != '.')
        {
           int num = board[i][j] - '0' - 1, k = i / 3 * 3 + j / 3;
           if(used1[i][num] \hspace{0.1cm}||\hspace{0.1cm} used2[j][num] \hspace{0.1cm}||\hspace{0.1cm} used3[k][num])
           used1[i][num] = used2[j][num] = used3[k][num] = 1;
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return true;
 }
};
37,Sudoku Solver:
Best_solution:
Straight Forward Java Solution Using Backtracking
public class Solution {
  public void solveSudoku(char[][] board) {
    if(board == null || board.length == 0)
      return;
    solve(board);
  }
  public boolean solve(char[][] board){
    for(int i = 0; i < board.length; i++){</pre>
      for(int j = 0; j < board[0].length; j++){
        if(board[i][j] == '.'){
          for(char c = '1'; c <= '9'; c++){//trial. Try 1 through 9
            if(isValid(board, i, j, c)){
               board[i][j] = c; //Put c for this cell
               if(solve(board))
                 return true; //If it's the solution return true
                 board[i][j] = '.'; //Otherwise go back
          }
          return false;
    }
    return true;
  private boolean isValid(char[][] board, int row, int col, char c){
    for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++) {
      if(board[i][col] != '.' \&\& board[i][col] == c) return false; //check row
      if(board[row][i]!='.'&& board[row][i] == c) return false; //check column
      if(board[3 * (row / 3) + i / 3][3 * (col / 3) + i % 3]!= '.' &&
board[3*(row/3)+i/3][3*(col/3)+i\%3] == c) return false; //check 3*3 block
   }
    return true;
 }
}
38,Count and Say:
Python_solution:
4-5 lines Python solutions
def countAndSay(self, n):
  s = '1'
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for _ in range(n - 1):
   s = re.sub(r'(.)\1*', lambda m: str(len(m.group(0))) + m.group(1), s)
  return s
Best_solution:
Please change the misleading description
None
39.Combination Sum:
Python_solution:
Python dfs solution.
def combinationSum(self, candidates, target):
  res = []
  candidates.sort()
  self.dfs(candidates, target, 0, [], res)
  return res
def dfs(self, nums, target, index, path, res):
  if target < 0:
   return # backtracking
  if target == 0:
    res.append(path)
    return
  for i in xrange(index, len(nums)):
   self.dfs(nums, target-nums[i], i, path+[nums[i]], res)\\
Best_solution:
A general approach to backtracking questions in Java (Subsets, Permutations, Combination Sum, Palindrome
Partitioning)
public List<List<Integer>> subsets(int[] nums) {
  List<List<Integer>> list = new ArrayList<>();
  Arrays.sort(nums);
 backtrack(list, new ArrayList<>(), nums, 0);
  return list;
}
private void backtrack(List<List<Integer>> list , List<Integer> tempList, int ∏ nums, int start){
 list.add(new ArrayList<>(tempList));
  for(int i = start; i < nums.length; i++){</pre>
   tempList.add(nums[i]);
   backtrack(list, tempList, nums, i + 1);
   tempList.remove(tempList.size() - 1);
 }
}
40,Combination Sum II:
Python_solution:
DP solution in Python
def combinationSum2(self, candidates, target):
  candidates.sort()
  table = [None] + [set() for i in range(target)]
  for i in candidates:
   if i > target:
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break
    for j in range(target - i, 0, -1):
      table[i + j] = \{elt + (i,) \text{ for elt in } table[j]\}
    table[i].add((i,))
  return map(list, table[target])
Best_solution:
Java solution using dfs, easy understand
public List<List<Integer>> combinationSum2(int[] cand, int target) {
  Arrays.sort(cand);
  List<List<Integer>> res = new ArrayList<List<Integer>>();
  List<Integer> path = new ArrayList<Integer>();
  dfs_com(cand, 0, target, path, res);
  return res;
}
void dfs_com(int[] cand, int cur, int target, List<Integer> path, List<List<Integer>> res) {
  if (target == 0) {
    res.add(new ArrayList(path));
    return;
  }
 if (target < 0) return;
  for (int i = cur; i < cand.length; i++){
   if (i > cur && cand[i] == cand[i-1]) continue;
   path.add(path.size(), cand[i]);
   dfs_com(cand, i+1, target - cand[i], path, res);
   path.remove(path.size()-1);
 }
}
41, First Missing Positive:
Python_solution:
Python O(1) space, O(n) time solution with explanation
def firstMissingPositive(self, nums):
 :type nums: List[int]
 :rtype: int
  Basic idea:
  1. for any array whose length is l, the first missing positive must be in range [1,...,l+1],
   so we only have to care about those elements in this range and remove the rest.
  2. we can use the array index as the hash to restore the frequency of each number within
    the range [1,...,l+1]
  nums.append(0)
  n = len(nums)
  for i in range(len(nums)): #delete those useless elements
   if nums[i] < 0 or nums[i] > = n:
      nums[i]=0
  for i in range(len(nums)): #use the index as the hash to record the frequency of each number
    nums[nums[i]%n]+=n
  for i in range(1,len(nums)):
    if nums[i]/n==0:
      return i
  return n
Best_solution:
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My short c++ solution, O(1) space, and O(n) time
class Solution
public:
  int firstMissingPositive(int A[], int n)
    for(int i = 0; i < n; ++ i)
      while(A[i] > 0 && A[i] \le n && A[A[i] - 1] != A[i])
        swap(A[i], A[A[i] - 1]);
    for(int i = 0; i < n; ++ i)
      if(A[i] != i + 1)
        return i + 1;
    return n + 1;
 }
};
42, Trapping Rain Water:
Python_solution:
8-lines C/C++/Java/Python Solution
Best_solution:
Sharing my simple c++ code: O(n) time, O(1) space
class Solution {
public:
  int trap(int A[], int n) {
    int left=0; int right=n-1;
    int res=0;
    int maxleft=0, maxright=0;
    while(left<=right){
      if(A[left]<=A[right]){
        if(A[left]>=maxleft) maxleft=A[left];
        else res+=maxleft-A[left];
        left++;
      }
      else{
        if(A[right]>=maxright) maxright= A[right];
        else res+=maxright-A[right];
        right--;
      }
    }
    return res;
 }
};
43, Multiply Strings:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution, 18 lines
def multiply(num1, num2):
  product = [0] * (len(num1) + len(num2))
  pos = len(product)-1
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for n1 in reversed(num1):
   tempPos = pos
   for n2 in reversed(num2):
      product[tempPos] += int(n1) * int(n2)
     product[tempPos-1] += product[tempPos]/10
     product[tempPos] %= 10
     tempPos -= 1
    pos -= 1
  pt = 0
  while pt < len(product)-1 and product[pt] == 0:
   pt += 1
  return ".join(map(str, product[pt:]))
Best_solution:
Easiest JAVA Solution with Graph Explanation
num1[i] * num2[j] will be placed at indices [i + j], i + j + 1
44, Wildcard Matching:
Python_solution:
Python DP solution
class Solution:
#@return a boolean
def isMatch(self, s, p):
 length = len(s)
  if len(p) - p.count('*') > length:
   return False
  dp = [True] + [False]*length
  for i in p:
    if i != '*':
      for n in reversed(range(length)):
        dp[n+1] = dp[n] and (i == s[n] \text{ or } i == '?')
   else:
      for n in range(1, length+1):
        dp[n] = dp[n-1] \text{ or } dp[n]
   dp[0] = dp[0] and i == '*'
  return dp[-1]
Best_solution:
Linear runtime and constant space solution
bool isMatch(const char *s, const char *p) {
    const char* star=NULL;
    const char* ss=s;
   while (*s){
     //advancing both pointers when (both characters match) or ('?' found in pattern)
     //note that *p will not advance beyond its length
     if ((*p=='?')||(*p==*s)){s++;p++;continue;}
      //* found in pattern, track index of *, only advancing pattern pointer
     if (*p=='*'){star=p++; ss=s;continue;}
      //current characters didn't match, last pattern pointer was *, current pattern pointer is not *
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//only advancing pattern pointer
     if (star){ p = star+1; s=++ss;continue;}
     //current pattern pointer is not star, last patter pointer was not *
     //characters do not match
     return false;
   }
   //check for remaining characters in pattern
   while (*p=='*'){p++;}
   return !*p;
 }
45, Jump Game II:
Python_solution:
10-lines C++ (16ms) / Python BFS Solutions with Explanations
nums = [2, 3, 1, 1, 4]
Best_solution:
O(n), BFS solution
int jump(int A∏, int n) {
         if(n<2)return 0;
         int level=0,currentMax=0,i=0,nextMax=0;
                                              //nodes count of current level>0
         while(currentMax-i+1>0){
                   level++;
                   for(;i<=currentMax;i++){ //traverse current level, and update the max reach of next level
                           nextMax=max(nextMax,A[i]+i);
                           if(nextMax>=n-1)return level; // if last element is in level+1, then the min
jump=level
                   }
                   currentMax=nextMax:
         }
         return 0;
}
46, Permutations:
Python_solution:
My AC simple iterative java/python solution
List<List<Integer>>
Best_solution:
A general approach to backtracking questions in Java (Subsets, Permutations, Combination Sum, Palindrome
Partioning)
public List<List<Integer>> subsets(int[] nums) {
 List<List<Integer>> list = new ArrayList<>();
 Arrays.sort(nums);
 backtrack(list, new ArrayList<>(), nums, 0);
 return list;
private void backtrack(List<List<Integer>> list , List<Integer> tempList, int ∏ nums, int start){
 list.add(new ArrayList<>(tempList));
```

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for(int i = start; i < nums.length; i++){</pre>
   tempList.add(nums[i]);
   backtrack(list, tempList, nums, i + 1);
   tempList.remove(tempList.size() - 1);
 }
}
47,Permutations II:
Python_solution:
9-line python solution with 1 line to handle duplication, beat 99% of others :-)
def permuteUnique(self, nums):
 ans = [[]]
 for n in nums:
   new_ans = []
   for l in ans:
     for i in xrange(len(l)+1):
       new_ans.append(l[:i]+[n]+l[i:])
        if i<len(l) and l[i]==n: break
                                           #handles duplication
   ans = new_ans
 return ans
Best_solution:
A simple C++ solution in only 20 lines
class Solution {
public:
 void recursion(vector<int> num, int i, int j, vector<vector<int> > &res) {
   if (i == j-1) {
     res.push_back(num);
     return;
   for (int k = i; k < j; k++) {
     if (i != k && num[i] == num[k]) continue;
     swap(num[i], num[k]);
     recursion(num, i+1, j, res);
   }
 }
 vector<vector<int> > permuteUnique(vector<int> &num) {
   sort(num.begin(), num.end());
   vector<vector<int>>res;
   recursion(num, 0, num.size(), res);
   return res;
 }
};
48,Rotate Image:
Best_solution:
A common method to rotate the image
* clockwise rotate
* first reverse up to down, then swap the symmetry
*123 789 741
* 4 5 6 => 4 5 6 => 8 5 2
*789 123 963
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void rotate(vector<vector<int> > &matrix) {
  reverse(matrix.begin(), matrix.end());
  for (int i = 0; i < matrix.size(); ++i) {
    for (int j = i + 1; j < matrix[i].size(); ++j()
      swap(matrix[i][j], matrix[j][i]);
 }
}
* anticlockwise rotate
* first reverse left to right, then swap the symmetry
*123 321 369
* 4 5 6 => 6 5 4 => 2 5 8
*789 987 147
*/
void anti_rotate(vector<vector<int> > &matrix) {
  for (auto vi: matrix) reverse(vi.begin(), vi.end());
  for (int i = 0; i < matrix.size(); ++i) {
    for (int j = i + 1; j < matrix[i].size(); ++j()
      swap(matrix[i][j], matrix[j][i]);
 }
}
49, Group Anagrams:
Python_solution:
2-line Python solution, AC with 350ms (some useful Python tricks)
  def anagrams(self, strs):
    count = collections.Counter([tuple(sorted(s)) for s in strs])
    return filter(lambda x: count[tuple(sorted(x))]>1, strs)
Best_solution:
Share my short JAVA solution
public class Solution {
  public List<List<String>> groupAnagrams(String[] strs) {
    if (strs == null || strs.length == 0) return new ArrayList<List<String>>();
    Map<String, List<String>> map = new HashMap<String, List<String>>();
    for (String s: strs) {
      char[] ca = s.toCharArray();
      Arrays.sort(ca);
      String keyStr = String.valueOf(ca);
      if (!map.containsKey(keyStr)) map.put(keyStr, new ArrayList<String>());
      map.get(keyStr).add(s);
   }
    return new ArrayList<List<String>>(map.values());
 }
}
50,Pow(x, n):
Python_solution:
Shortest Python - Guaranteed
pow
Best_solution:
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Short and easy to understand solution
public class Solution {
  public double pow(double x, int n) {
    if(n == 0)
      return 1;
   if(n<0){
     n = -n;
     x = 1/x;
   return (n\%2 == 0)? pow(x*x, n/2): x*pow(x*x, n/2);
51,N-Queens:
Python_solution:
Fast, short, and easy-to-understand python solution, 11 lines, 76ms
DFS
Accepted 4ms c++ solution use backtracking and bitmask, easy understand.
column
52,N-Queens II:
Python_solution:
11-line Python solution, easy to understand
def totalNQueens(self, n):
  def dfs(board, row):
   if row == n: return 1
    count = 0
   for x in set_n - set(board):
      # check diagonal conflict
      if all(row - i!= abs(x - y) for i, y in enumerate(board[:row])):
        board[row] = x
        count += dfs(board, row + 1)
        board[row] = '.'
    return count
 set_n = {i for i in xrange(n)}
  return dfs(['.'] * n, 0)
Best_solution:
Accepted Java Solution
* don't need to actually place the queen,
* instead, for each row, try to place without violation on
* col/diagonal1/diagnol2.
* trick: to detect whether 2 positions sit on the same diagnol:
* if delta(col, row) equals, same diagnol1;
* if sum(col, row) equals, same diagnal2.
private final Set<Integer> occupiedCols = new HashSet<Integer>();
private final Set<Integer> occupiedDiag1s = new HashSet<Integer>();
private final Set<Integer> occupiedDiag2s = new HashSet<Integer>();
public int totalNQueens(int n) {
  return totalNQueensHelper(0, 0, n);
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}
private int totalNQueensHelper(int row, int count, int n) {
 for (int col = 0; col < n; col++) {
   if (occupiedCols.contains(col))
     continue;
   int diag1 = row - col;
   if (occupiedDiag1s.contains(diag1))
     continue:
   int diag2 = row + col;
   if (occupiedDiag2s.contains(diag2))
      continue;
   // we can now place a queen here
   if (row == n-1)
      count++;
   else {
     occupiedCols.add(col);
     occupiedDiag1s.add(diag1);
     occupiedDiag2s.add(diag2);
     count = totalNQueensHelper(row+1, count, n);
     // recover
     occupiedCols.remove(col);
     occupiedDiag1s.remove(diag1);
     occupiedDiag2s.remove(diag2);
   }
 }
 return count;
}
53,Maximum Subarray:
Python_solution:
A Python solution
class Solution:
 #@param A, a list of integers
 #@return an integer
 # 6:57
 def maxSubArray(self, A):
   if not A:
     return 0
   curSum = maxSum = A[0]
   for num in A[1:]:
     curSum = max(num, curSum + num)
     maxSum = max(maxSum, curSum)
   return maxSum
Best solution:
DP solution & some thoughts
maxSubArray(int A[], int i, int j)
54,Spiral Matrix:
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Python_solution:

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1-liner in Python
def spiralOrder(self, matrix):
  return matrix and list(matrix.pop(0)) + self.spiralOrder(zip(*matrix)[::-1])
Best_solution:
Super Simple and Easy to Understand Solution
public class Solution {
  public List<Integer> spiralOrder(int[][] matrix) {
   List<Integer> res = new ArrayList<Integer>();
   if (matrix.length == 0) {
     return res;
   }
   int rowBegin = 0;
   int rowEnd = matrix.length-1;
   int colBegin = 0;
   int colEnd = matrix[0].length - 1;
   while (rowBegin <= rowEnd && colBegin <= colEnd) {
      // Traverse Right
     for (int j = colBegin; j <= colEnd; j ++) {
        res.add(matrix[rowBegin][j]);
     rowBegin++;
      // Traverse Down
     for (int j = rowBegin; j \leq rowEnd; j ++) {
        res.add(matrix[j][colEnd]);
      colEnd--;
     if (rowBegin <= rowEnd) {</pre>
        // Traverse Left
        for (int j = colEnd; j >= colBegin; j --) {
          res.add(matrix[rowEnd][j]);
       }
     }
     rowEnd--;
     if (colBegin <= colEnd) {
        // Traver Up
        for (int j = rowEnd; j \ge rowBegin; j - -) {
          res.add(matrix[j][colBegin]);
        }
     }
     colBegin ++;
    return res;
}
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55, Jump Game:
Best_solution:
Linear and simple solution in C++
bool canJump(int A[], int n) {
 int i = 0;
  for (int reach = 0; i < n \&\& i <= reach; ++i)
   reach = max(i + A[i], reach);
  return i == n;
}
56, Merge Intervals:
Python_solution:
7 lines, easy, Python
def merge(self, intervals):
  out = []
  for i in sorted(intervals, key=lambda i: i.start):
    if out and i.start <= out[-1].end:
      out[-1].end = max(out[-1].end, i.end)
   else:
      out += i,
  return out
Best_solution:
A simple Java solution
public List<Interval> merge(List<Interval> intervals) {
  if (intervals.size() <= 1)</pre>
    return intervals;
  // Sort by ascending starting point using an anonymous Comparator
  intervals.sort((i1, i2) -> Integer.compare(i1.start, i2.start));
  List<Interval> result = new LinkedList<Interval>();
  int start = intervals.get(0).start;
  int end = intervals.get(0).end;
  for (Interval interval: intervals) {
   if (interval.start <= end) // Overlapping intervals, move the end if needed
      end = Math.max(end, interval.end);
                    // Disjoint intervals, add the previous one and reset bounds
   else {
      result.add(new Interval(start, end));
      start = interval.start;
      end = interval.end;
   }
  }
  // Add the last interval
  result.add(new Interval(start, end));
  return result;
}
57,Insert Interval:
Python_solution:
O(n) Python solution
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class Solution:
  # @param intervals, a list of Intervals
  #@param newInterval, a Interval
  #@return a list of Interval
  definsert(self, intervals, newInterval):
   start = newInterval.start
   end = newInterval.end
   result = \Pi
   i = 0
   while i < len(intervals):
      if start <= intervals[i].end:</pre>
        if end < intervals[i].start:
        start = min(start, intervals[i].start)
        end = max(end, intervals[i].end)
      else:
        result.append(intervals[i])
    result.append(Interval(start, end))
    result += intervals[i:]
    return result
Best_solution:
Short and straight-forward Java solution
public List<Interval> insert(List<Interval> intervals, Interval newInterval) {
  List<Interval> result = new LinkedList<>();
  int i = 0;
  // add all the intervals ending before newInterval starts
  while (i < intervals.size() && intervals.get(i).end < newInterval.start)
    result.add(intervals.get(i++));
  // merge all overlapping intervals to one considering newInterval
  while (i < intervals.size() && intervals.get(i).start <= newInterval.end) {
    newInterval = new Interval( // we could mutate newInterval here also
        Math.min(newInterval.start, intervals.get(i).start),\\
        Math.max(newInterval.end, intervals.get(i).end));
   i++;
  }
  result.add(newInterval); // add the union of intervals we got
  // add all the rest
 while (i < intervals.size()) result.add(intervals.get(i++));</pre>
  return result;
}
58,Length of Last Word:
Python_solution:
One line Python solution
def lengthOfLastWord(self, s):
  return len(s.rstrip(' ').split(' ')[-1])
Best_solution:
7-lines 4ms C++ Solution
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59,Spiral Matrix II:
Python_solution:
4-9 lines Python solutions
 || => |9| => |8| |67| |45| |123|
          |9| => |98| => |96| => |894|
                   |87| |765|
Best solution:
4-9 lines Python solutions
 || => |9| => |8| |67| |45| |123|
          |9| => |98| => |96| => |894|
                    |87| |765|
60, Permutation Sequence:
Python_solution:
Share my Python solution with detailed explanation
import math
class Solution:
 #@param {integer} n
 #@param {integer} k
 # @return {string}
 def getPermutation(self, n, k):
   numbers = range(1, n+1)
   permutation = "
   k -= 1
   while n > 0:
     n -= 1
     # get the index of current digit
     index, k = divmod(k, math.factorial(n))
     permutation += str(numbers[index])
     # remove handled number
     numbers.remove(numbers[index])
    return permutation
Best_solution:
"Explain-like-I'm-five" Java Solution in O(n)
public class Solution {
public String getPermutation(int n, int k) {
 int pos = 0;
 List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
 int[] factorial = new int[n+1];
 StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
 // create an array of factorial lookup
 int sum = 1;
 factorial[0] = 1;
 for(int i=1; i<=n; i++){
   sum *= i;
   factorial[i] = sum;
 // factorial[] = {1, 1, 2, 6, 24, ... n!}
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// create a list of numbers to get indices
  for(int i=1; i<=n; i++){
   numbers.add(i);
  // numbers = {1, 2, 3, 4}
 k--;
  for(int i = 1; i \le n; i++){
   int index = k/factorial[n-i];
   sb.append(String.valueOf(numbers.get(index)));
   numbers.remove(index);
   k-=index*factorial[n-i];
  }
 return String.valueOf(sb);
}
61,Rotate List:
Python_solution:
97.63% Python Solution
class Solution(object):
def rotateRight(self, head, k):
 :type head: ListNode
 :type k: int
 :rtype: ListNode
 if not head:
    return None
  if head.next == None:
    return head
  pointer = head
 length = 1
  while pointer.next:
   pointer = pointer.next
   length += 1
  rotateTimes = k%length
  if k == 0 or rotateTimes == 0:
    return head
  fastPointer = head
  slowPointer = head
  for a in range (rotateTimes):
   fastPointer = fastPointer.next
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while fastPointer.next:
    slowPointer = slowPointer.next
    fastPointer = fastPointer.next
  temp = slowPointer.next
  slowPointer.next = None
  fastPointer.next = head
  head = temp
  return head
Best_solution:
My clean C++ code, quite standard (find tail and reconnect the list)
class Solution {
public:
  ListNode* rotateRight(ListNode* head, int k) {
    if(!head) return head;
    int len=1; // number of nodes
    ListNode *newH, *tail;
    newH=tail=head;
    while(tail->next) // get the number of nodes in the list
      tail = tail->next;
      len++;
    tail->next = head; // circle the link
    if(k %= len)
    {
      for(auto i=0; i<len-k; i++) tail = tail->next; // the tail node is the (len-k)-th node (1st node is head)
    }
    newH = tail->next;
    tail->next = NULL;
    return newH;
 }
};
62, Unique Paths:
Python_solution:
1 Line Math Solution (Python)
class Solution(object):
  def uniquePaths(self, m, n):
    :type m: int
    :type n: int
    :rtype: int
    return math.factorial(m+n-2)/math.factorial(m-1)/math.factorial(n-1)
Best_solution:
Oms, 5-lines DP Solution in C++ with Explanations
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(i, j)
63, Unique Paths II:
Python_solution:
Accepted simple Python in-place solution
class Solution:
  # @param obstacleGrid, a list of lists of integers
  # @return an integer
  def uniquePathsWithObstacles(self, obstacleGrid):
    m = len(obstacleGrid)
   n = len(obstacleGrid[0])
   obstacleGrid[0][0] = 1 - obstacleGrid[0][0]
    for i in range(1, n):
      if not obstacleGrid[0][i]:
        obstacleGrid[0][i] = obstacleGrid[0][i-1]
      else:
        obstacleGrid[0][i] = 0
    for i in range(1, m):
      if not obstacleGrid[i][0]:
        obstacleGrid[i][0] = obstacleGrid[i-1][0]
        obstacleGrid[i][0] = 0
   for i in range(1, m):
      for j in range(1, n):
        if not obstacleGrid[i][j]:
          obstacleGrid[i][j] = obstacleGrid[i][j-1] + obstacleGrid[i-1][j] \\
        else:
          obstacleGrid[i][j] = 0
    return obstacleGrid[-1][-1]
Best_solution:
Short JAVA solution
public int uniquePathsWithObstacles(int[][] obstacleGrid) {
  int width = obstacleGrid[0].length;
  int[] dp = new int[width];
  dp[0] = 1;
  for (int[] row : obstacleGrid) {
   for (int j = 0; j < width; j++) {
      if (row[j] == 1)
        dp[j] = 0;
      else if (j > 0)
        dp[j] += dp[j-1];
 }
  return dp[width - 1];
```

64,Minimum Path Sum:

Python_solution:

Simple python dp 70ms

```
def minPathSum(self, grid):
  m = len(grid)
  n = len(grid[0])
  for i in range(1, n):
    grid[0][i] += grid[0][i-1]
  for i in range(1, m):
    grid[i][0] += grid[i-1][0]
  for i in range(1, m):
    for j in range(1, n):
      grid[i][j] += min(grid[i-1][j], grid[i][j-1])
  return grid[-1][-1]
Best_solution:
10-lines 28ms O(n)-space DP solution in C++ with Explanations
(i, j)
65, Valid Number:
Python_solution:
A simple solution in Python based on DFA
class Solution(object):
 def isNumber(self, s):
   :type s: str
   :rtype: bool
   #define a DFA
   state = [{},
       {'blank': 1, 'sign': 2, 'digit': 3, '.': 4},
       {'digit':3, '.':4},
       {'digit':3, '.':5, 'e':6, 'blank':9},
       {'digit':5},
       {'digit':5, 'e':6, 'blank':9},
       {'sign':7, 'digit':8},
       {'digit':8},
       {'digit':8, 'blank':9},
       {'blank':9}]
   currentState = 1
   for c in s:
     if c \ge 0' and c \le 9':
       c = 'digit'
     if c == ' ':
       c = 'blank'
     if c in ['+', '-']:
       c = 'sign'
     if c not in state[currentState].keys():
       return False
     currentState = state[currentState][c]
   if currentState not in [3,5,8,9]:
     return False
   return True
```

$Best_solution:$

The worst problem i have ever met in this oj None

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66,Plus One:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution with explanation (Plus One)
def plusOne(digits):
 num = 0
  for i in range(len(digits)):
         num += digits[i] * pow(10, (len(digits)-1-i))
  return [int(i) for i in str(num+1)]
Best_solution:
My Simple Java Solution
public int[] plusOne(int[] digits) {
  int n = digits.length;
  for(int i=n-1; i>=0; i--) {
   if(digits[i] < 9) {
      digits[i]++;
     return digits;
   }
   digits[i] = 0;
  int[] newNumber = new int [n+1];
  newNumber[0] = 1;
  return newNumber;
}
67,Add Binary:
Python_solution:
An accepted concise Python recursive solution 10 lines
#add two binary from back to front, I think it is very self explained, when 1+1 we need a carry.
 class Solution:
   def addBinary(self, a, b):
     if len(a)==0: return b
     if len(b)==0: return a
     if a[-1] == '1' and b[-1] == '1':
        return self.addBinary(self.addBinary(a[0:-1],b[0:-1]),'1')+'0'
      if a[-1] == '0' and b[-1] == '0':
        return self.addBinary(a[0:-1],b[0:-1])+'0'
        return self.addBinary(a[0:-1],b[0:-1])+'1'
Best_solution:
Short code by c++
class Solution
public:
  string addBinary(string a, string b)
   string s = "";
```

```
int c = 0, i = a.size() - 1, j = b.size() - 1;
    while(i \ge 0 \mid | j \ge 0 \mid | c = 1)
      c += i >= 0 ? a[i --] - '0' : 0;
      c += j >= 0 ? b[j --] - '0' : 0;
      s = char(c \% 2 + '0') + s;
      c /= 2;
    }
    return s;
68,Text Justification:
Python_solution:
Concise python solution, 10 lines.
def fullJustify(self, words, maxWidth):
  res, cur, num_of_letters = [], [], 0
  for w in words:
    if num_of_letters + len(w) + len(cur) > maxWidth:
      for i in range(maxWidth - num_of_letters):
        cur[i%(len(cur)-1 or 1)] += ''
      res.append(".join(cur))
      cur, num_of_letters = [], 0
    cur += [w]
    num_of_letters += len(w)
  return res + [''.join(cur).ljust(maxWidth)]
Best_solution:
Share my concise c++ solution - less than 20 lines
vector<string> fullJustify(vector<string> &words, int L) {
  vector<string> res;
  for(int i = 0, k, l; i < words.size(); i += k) {
    for(k = l = 0; i + k < words.size()) and l + words[i+k].size() <= L - k; k++) {
      l += words[i+k].size();
    }
    string tmp = words[i];
    for(int j = 0; j < k - 1; j++) {
      if(i + k \ge words.size()) tmp += "";
      else tmp += string((L - l) / (k - 1) + (j < (L - l) % (k - 1)), '');
      tmp += words[i+j+1];
    tmp += string(L - tmp.size(), ' ');
    res.push_back(tmp);
  return res;
}
69,Sqrt(x):
Python_solution:
Python binary search solution (O(lgn)).
# Binary search
```

```
def mySqrt(self, x):
 l, r = 0, x
  while l <= r:
   mid = l + (r-l)//2
   if mid * mid \leq x \leq (mid+1)*(mid+1):
      return mid
   elif x < mid * mid:
      r = mid
   else:
      l = mid + 1
Best_solution:
A Binary Search Solution
public int sqrt(int x) {
 if (x == 0)
    return 0;
  int left = 1, right = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
  while (true) {
   int mid = left + (right - left)/2;
   if (mid > x/mid) {
      right = mid - 1;
   } else {
      if (mid + 1 > x/(mid + 1))
        return mid;
      left = mid + 1;
   }
 }
70,Climbing Stairs:
Python_solution:
Python different solutions (bottom up, top down).
# Top down - TLE
def climbStairs1(self, n):
 if n == 1:
    return 1
  if n == 2:
    return 2
  return\ self.climbStairs(n-1) + self.climbStairs(n-2)
# Bottom up, O(n) space
def climbStairs2(self, n):
 if n == 1:
    return 1
  res = [0 for i in xrange(n)]
  res[0], res[1] = 1, 2
  for i in xrange(2, n):
    res[i] = res[i-1] + res[i-2]
  return res[-1]
# Bottom up, constant space
def climbStairs3(self, n):
  if n == 1:
    return 1
```

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a, b = 1, 2
 for i in xrange(2, n):
    tmp = b
    b = a+b
    a = tmp
  return b
# Top down + memorization (list)
def climbStairs4(self, n):
  if n == 1:
    return 1
  dic = [-1 for i in xrange(n)]
  dic[0], dic[1] = 1, 2
  return self.helper(n-1, dic)
def helper(self, n, dic):
  if dic[n] < 0:
    dic[n] = self.helper(n-1, dic)+self.helper(n-2, dic)
  return dic[n]
# Top down + memorization (dictionary)
def __init__(self):
 self.dic = \{1:1, 2:2\}
def climbStairs(self, n):
  if n not in self.dic:
    self.dic[n] = self.climbStairs(n-1) + self.climbStairs(n-2)
  return self.dic[n]
Best_solution:
Basically it's a fibonacci.
[n-1]
71,Simplify Path:
Python_solution:
9 lines of Python code
class Solution(object):
  def simplifyPath(self, path):
    places = [p for p in path.split("/") if p!="." and p!=""]
    stack = []
    for p in places:
      if p == "..":
        if len(stack) > 0:
          stack.pop()
      else:
        stack.append(p)
    return "/" + "/".join(stack)
Best solution:
C++ 10-lines solution
string simplifyPath(string path) {
  string res, tmp;
  vector<string> stk;
  stringstream ss(path);
  while(getline(ss,tmp,'/')) {
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if (tmp == "" or tmp == ".") continue;
   if (tmp == ".." and !stk.empty()) stk.pop_back();
   else if (tmp != "..") stk.push_back(tmp);
 for(auto str: stk) res += "/"+str;
  return res.empty()?"/":res;
}
72.Edit Distance:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (O(m*n), O(n) \text{ space}).
# O(m*n) space
def minDistance1(self, word1, word2):
 11, 12 = len(word1)+1, len(word2)+1
  dp = [[0 for in xrange(l2)] for in xrange(l1)]
  for i in xrange(l1):
   dp[i][0] = i
  for j in xrange(l2):
   dp[0][j] = j
  for i in xrange(1, l1):
   for j in xrange(1, l2):
     dp[i][j] = min(dp[i-1][j]+1, dp[i][j-1]+1, dp[i-1][j-1]+(word1[i-1]!=word2[j-1]))
  return dp[-1][-1]
# O(n) space with rolling array
def minDistance(self, word1, word2):
 11, 12 = len(word1)+1, len(word2)+1
  pre = [0 for _ in xrange(l2)]
  for j in xrange(l2):
    pre[j] = j
  for i in xrange(1, l1):
    cur = [i]*12
   for j in xrange(1, l2):
      cur[j] = min(cur[j-1]+1, pre[j]+1, pre[j-1]+(word1[i-1]!=word2[j-1]))
   pre = cur[:]
  return pre[-1]
Best_solution:
20ms Detailed Explained C++ Solutions (O(n) Space)
dp[i][j]
73,Set Matrix Zeroes:
Python_solution:
O(1) space solution in Python
class Solution:
# @param {integer[][]} matrix
# @return {void} Do not return anything, modify matrix in-place instead.
def setZeroes(self, matrix):
  m = len(matrix)
  if m == 0:
    return
  n = len(matrix[0])
```

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row_zero = False
  for i in range(m):
    if matrix[i][0] == 0:
      row_zero = True
  col_zero = False
  for j in range(n):
    if matrix[0][j] == 0:
      col zero = True
  for i in range(1, m):
    for j in range(1, n):
      if matrix[i][j] == 0:
        matrix[i][0] = 0
        matrix[0][j] = 0
  for i in range(1, m):
    if matrix[i][0] == 0:
      for j in range(1, n):
        matrix[i][j] = 0
  for j in range(1, n):
    if matrix[0][j] == 0:
      for i in range(1, m):
        matrix[i][j] = 0
  if col_zero:
    for j in range(n):
      matrix[0][j] = 0
  if row_zero:
    for i in range(m):
      matrix[i][0] = 0
Best_solution:
Any shorter O(1) space solution?
void setZeroes(vector<vector<int> > &matrix) {
  int col0 = 1, rows = matrix.size(), cols = matrix[0].size();
  for (int i = 0; i < rows; i++) {
    if (matrix[i][0] == 0) col0 = 0;
    for (int j = 1; j < cols; j++)
      if (matrix[i][j] == 0)
        matrix[i][0] = matrix[0][j] = 0;
  }
 for (int i = rows - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
    for (int j = cols - 1; j >= 1; j--)
      if(matrix[i][0] == 0 || matrix[0][j] == 0)
        matrix[i][j] = 0;
    if (col0 == 0) matrix[i][0] = 0;
```

74,Search a 2D Matrix:

Python_solution:

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A Python binary search solution - O(logn)
class Solution:
  # @param matrix, a list of lists of integers
  #@param target, an integer
  #@return a boolean
  #8:21
  def searchMatrix(self, matrix, target):
   if not matrix or target is None:
      return False
    rows, cols = len(matrix), len(matrix[0])
   low, high = 0, rows * cols - 1
   while low <= high:
     mid = (low + high) / 2
     num = matrix[mid / cols][mid % cols]
     if num == target:
        return True
      elif num < target:
       low = mid + 1
      else:
        high = mid - 1
    return False
Best_solution:
Don't treat it as a 2D matrix, just treat it as a sorted list
class Solution {
public:
  bool searchMatrix(vector<vector<int> > &matrix, int target) {
   int n = matrix.size();
   int m = matrix[0].size();
   int l = 0, r = m * n - 1;
   while (l != r){
     int mid = (l + r - 1) >> 1;
     if (matrix[mid / m][mid % m] < target)
       l = mid + 1;
     else
        r = mid;
   }
   return matrix[r / m][r % m] == target;
 }
};
75,Sort Colors:
Python_solution:
AC Python in place one pass solution O(n) time O(1) space, no swap no count
def sortColors(self, nums):
 i = j = 0
  for k in xrange(len(nums)):
   v = nums[k]
   nums[k] = 2
   if v < 2:
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nums[j] = 1
     j += 1
   if v == 0:
     nums[i] = 0
     i += 1
#86/86 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 44 ms
# 84.03%
Best_solution:
Share my at most two-pass constant space 10-line solution
  class Solution {
  public:
   void sortColors(int A[], int n) {
      int second=n-1, zero=0;
      for (int i=0; i\le second; i++) {
        while (A[i]==2 && i<second) swap(A[i], A[second--]);
        while (A[i]==0 \&\& i>zero) swap(A[i], A[zero++]);
   }
 };
76, Minimum Window Substring:
Python_solution:
12 lines Python
s[i:j]
Best_solution:
Here is a 10-line template that can solve most 'substring' problems
string minWindow(string s, string t) {
    vector<int> map(128,0);
   for(auto c: t) map[c]++;
   int counter=t.size(), begin=0, end=0, d=INT_MAX, head=0;
   while(end<s.size()){
      if(map[s[end++]]-->0) counter--; //in t
     while(counter==0){ //valid
        if(end-begin<d) d=end-(head=begin);</pre>
        if(map[s[begin++]]++==0) counter++; //make it invalid
     }
   return d==INT_MAX? "":s.substr(head, d);
  }
77,Combinations:
Python_solution:
AC Python backtracking iterative solution 60 ms
def combine(self, n, k):
  ans = []
  stack = []
  x = 1
  while True:
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l = len(stack)
    if l == k:
      ans.append(stack[:])
    if l == k \text{ or } x > n - k + l + 1:
      if not stack:
        return ans
      x = \text{stack.pop}() + 1
      stack.append(x)
      x += 1
# 26 / 26 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 60 ms
# 98.51%
Best_solution:
Backtracking Solution Java
  public \, static \, List \!\!<\! List \!\!<\! List \!\!<\! Linteger \!\!>\! combine (int \, n, \, int \, k) \, \{
                    List<List<Integer>> combs = new ArrayList<List<Integer>>();
                    combine(combs, new ArrayList<Integer>(), 1, n, k);
                    return combs;
         }
         public static void combine(List<List<Integer>> combs, List<Integer> comb, int start, int n, int k) {
                    if(k==0) {
                              combs.add(new ArrayList<Integer>(comb));
                              return;
                    for(int i=start;i<=n;i++) {</pre>
                              comb.add(i);
                              combine(combs, comb, i+1, n, k-1);
                              comb.remove(comb.size()-1);
                   }
         }
78,Subsets:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solutions (DFS recursively, Bit Manipulation, Iteratively).
# DFS recursively
def subsets1(self, nums):
  self.dfs(sorted(nums), 0, [], res)
  return res
def dfs(self, nums, index, path, res):
  res.append(path)
  for i in xrange(index, len(nums)):
    self.dfs(nums, i+1, path+[nums[i]], res)
# Bit Manipulation
def subsets2(self, nums):
  res = []
  nums.sort()
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for i in xrange(1<<len(nums)):
   tmp = []
   for j in xrange(len(nums)):
     if i & 1 << j: # if i >> j & 1:
        tmp.append(nums[j])
    res.append(tmp)
  return res
# Iteratively
def subsets(self, nums):
  res = [[]]
  for num in sorted(nums):
    res += [item+[num] for item in res]
  return res
Best_solution:
A general approach to backtracking questions in Java (Subsets, Permutations, Combination Sum, Palindrome
Partitioning)
public List<List<Integer>> subsets(int∏ nums) {
  List<List<Integer>> list = new ArrayList<>();
  Arrays.sort(nums);
 backtrack(list, new ArrayList<>(), nums, 0);
  return list;
}
private void backtrack(List<List<Integer>> list , List<Integer> tempList, int ∏ nums, int start){
  list.add(new ArrayList<>(tempList));
  for(int i = start; i < nums.length; i++){</pre>
    tempList.add(nums[i]);
   backtrack(list, tempList, nums, i + 1);
   tempList.remove(tempList.size() - 1);
79, Word Search:
Python_solution:
Python dfs solution with comments.
def exist(self, board, word):
  if not board:
    return False
  for i in xrange(len(board)):
   for j in xrange(len(board[0])):
      if self.dfs(board, i, j, word):
        return True
  return False
# check whether can find word, start at (i,j) position
def dfs(self, board, i, j, word):
  if len(word) == 0: # all the characters are checked
    return True
  if i<0 or i>=len(board) or j<0 or j>=len(board[0]) or word[0]!=board[i][j]:
    return False
  tmp = board[i][j] # first character is found, check the remaining part
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board[i][j] = "#" # avoid visit agian
  # check whether can find "word" along one direction
  res = self.dfs(board, i+1, j, word[1:]) or self.dfs(board, i-1, j, word[1:]) \
  or self.dfs(board, i, j+1, word[1:]) or self.dfs(board, i, j-1, word[1:])
  board[i][j] = tmp
  return res
Best_solution:
Accepted very short Java solution. No additional space.
public boolean exist(char[][] board, String word) {
  char[] w = word.toCharArray();
  for (int y=0; y<board.length; y++) {
         for (int x=0; x<board[y].length; x++) {
                   if (exist(board, y, x, w, 0)) return true;
         }
 }
  return false;
}
private boolean exist(char[][] board, int y, int x, char[] word, int i) {
         if (i == word.length) return true;
         if (y<0 || x<0 || y == board.length || x == board[y].length) return false;
         if (board[y][x] != word[i]) return false;
         board[y][x] ^= 256;
         boolean exist = exist(board, y, x+1, word, i+1)
                   || exist(board, y, x-1, word, i+1)
                   || exist(board, y+1, x, word, i+1)
                   || exist(board, y-1, x, word, i+1);
         board[y][x] ^= 256;
         return exist;
}
80, Remove Duplicates from Sorted Array II:
Python_solution:
3-6 easy lines, C++, Java, Python, Ruby
int removeDuplicates(vector<int>& nums) {
  int i = 0;
  for (int n : nums)
   if (i < 2 || n > nums[i-2])
      nums[i++] = n;
  return i;
}
Best_solution:
3-6 easy lines, C++, Java, Python, Ruby
int removeDuplicates(vector<int>& nums) {
  int i = 0;
  for (int n: nums)
    if (i < 2 || n > nums[i-2])
      nums[i++] = n;
  return i;
```

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81, Search in Rotated Sorted Array II:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solution (with comments).
def search(self, nums, target):
 l, r = 0, len(nums)-1
  while l <= r:
    mid = l + (r-l)//2
    if nums[mid] == target:
      return True
    while l < mid and nums[l] == nums[mid]: # tricky part
      1 += 1
    # the first half is ordered
    if nums[l] <= nums[mid]:</pre>
      # target is in the first half
      if nums[l] <= target < nums[mid]:</pre>
        r = mid - 1
      else:
        l = mid + 1
    # the second half is ordered
    else:
      # target is in the second half
      if nums[mid] < target <= nums[r]:</pre>
        l = mid + 1
      else:
        r = mid - 1
  return False
Best_solution:
C++ concise log(n) solution
class Solution {
public:
 bool search(int A[], int n, int target) {
  int lo =0, hi = n-1;
  int mid = 0;
  while(lo<hi){
     mid=(lo+hi)/2;
     if(A[mid]==target) return true;
     if(A[mid]>A[hi]){
       if(A[mid]>target && A[lo] <= target) hi = mid;</pre>
       else lo = mid + 1;
     }else if(A[mid] < A[hi]){</pre>
       if(A[mid] < target && A[hi] >= target) lo = mid + 1;
       else hi = mid;
     }else{
       hi--;
     }
  return A[lo] == target ? true : false;
};
82, Remove Duplicates from Sorted List II:
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Python_solution:

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Python in-place solution with dummy head node.
def deleteDuplicates(self, head):
 dummy = pre = ListNode(0)
 dummy.next = head
 while head and head.next:
   if head.val == head.next.val:
     while head and head.next and head.val == head.next.val:
       head = head.next
     head = head.next
     pre.next = head
   else:
      pre = pre.next
     head = head.next
 return dummy.next
Best_solution:
My accepted Java code
public ListNode deleteDuplicates(ListNode head) {
   if(head==null) return null;
   ListNode FakeHead=new ListNode(0);
   FakeHead.next=head;
   ListNode pre=FakeHead;
   ListNode cur=head;
   while(cur!=null){
     while(cur.next!=null&&cur.val==cur.next.val){
       cur=cur.next;
     if(pre.next==cur){
       pre=pre.next;
     else{
       pre.next=cur.next;
     cur=cur.next;
   }
   return FakeHead.next;
83,Remove Duplicates from Sorted List:
Python_solution:
Simple iterative Python 6 lines, 60 ms
def deleteDuplicates(self, head):
 cur = head
 while cur:
   while cur.next and cur.next.val == cur.val:
      cur.next = cur.next.next # skip duplicated node
    cur = cur.next # not duplicate of current node, move to next node
 return head
Best_solution:
3 Line JAVA recursive solution
public ListNode deleteDuplicates(ListNode head) {
    if(head == null || head.next == null)return head;
   head.next = deleteDuplicates(head.next);
   return head.val == head.next.val ? head.next : head;
```

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84,Largest Rectangle in Histogram:
Python_solution:
AC Python clean solution using stack 76ms
def largestRectangleArea(self, height):
 height.append(0)
 stack = [-1]
 ans = 0
  for i in xrange(len(height)):
   while height[i] < height[stack[-1]]:
     h = height[stack.pop()]
     w = i - stack[-1] - 1
     ans = max(ans, h * w)
   stack.append(i)
  height.pop()
  return ans
#94/94 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 76 ms
# 97.34%
Best_solution:
My concise C++ solution, AC 90 ms
class Solution {
 public:
    int largestRectangleArea(vector<int> &height) {
     int ret = 0;
     height.push_back(0);
     vector<int> index;
     for(int i = 0; i < height.size(); i++)
        while(index.size() > 0 \&\& height[index.back()] >= height[i])
          int h = height[index.back()];
          index.pop_back();
          int sidx = index.size() > 0 ? index.back() : -1;
          if(h * (i-sidx-1) > ret)
            ret = h * (i-sidx-1);
       }
        index.push_back(i);
     return ret;
   }
```

}

};

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85, Maximal Rectangle:
Python_solution:
AC Python DP solutioin 120ms based on largest rectangle in histogram
def maximalRectangle(self, matrix):
  if not matrix or not matrix[0]:
    return 0
  n = len(matrix[0])
  height = [0] * (n + 1)
 ans = 0
  for row in matrix:
    for i in xrange(n):
      height[i] = height[i] + 1 if row[i] == '1' else 0
    stack = [-1]
    for i in xrange(n + 1):
      while height[i] < height[stack[-1]]:
        h = height[stack.pop()]
        w = i - 1 - stack[-1]
        ans = max(ans, h * w)
      stack.append(i)
  return ans
# 65 / 65 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 120 ms
# 100%
Best solution:
Share my DP solution
class Solution {public:
int maximalRectangle(vector<vector<char> > &matrix) {
  if(matrix.empty()) return 0;
  const int m = matrix.size();
  const int n = matrix[0].size();
  int left[n], right[n], height[n];
  fill_n(left,n,0); fill_n(right,n,n); fill_n(height,n,0);
  int maxA = 0;
  for(int i=0; i<m; i++) {
    int cur_left=0, cur_right=n;
    for(int j=0; j<n; j++) \{//\text{ compute height (can do this from either side)}\}
      if(matrix[i][j]=='1') height[j]++;
      else height[j]=0;
    for(int j=0; j<n; j++) { // compute left (from left to right)</pre>
      if(matrix[i][j]=='1') left[j]=max(left[j],cur_left);
      else {left[j]=0; cur_left=j+1;}
    }
    // compute right (from right to left)
    for(int j=n-1; j>=0; j--) {
      if(matrix[i][j]=='1') right[j]=min(right[j],cur_right);
      else {right[j]=n; cur_right=j;}
    // compute the area of rectangle (can do this from either side)
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for(int j=0; j<n; j++)
     maxA = max(maxA,(right[j]-left[j])*height[j]);
 }
 return maxA;
}
86, Partition List:
Python_solution:
Python concise solution with dummy nodes.
def partition(self, head, x):
 h1 = l1 = ListNode(0)
 h2 = l2 = ListNode(0)
 while head:
   if head.val < x:
     l1.next = head
     l1 = l1.next
   else:
     l2.next = head
     12 = 12.next
   head = head.next
 l2.next = None
 11.next = h2.next
 return h1.next
Best_solution:
Very concise one pass solution
ListNode *partition(ListNode *head, int x) {
 ListNode node1(0), node2(0);
 ListNode *p1 = &node1, *p2 = &node2;
 while (head) {
   if (head->val < x)
     p1 = p1 - next = head;
   else
     p2 = p2 - next = head;
   head = head->next;
 p2->next = NULL;
 p1->next = node2.next;
 return node1.next;
}
87,Scramble String:
Python_solution:
Python recursive solution
class Solution:
#@return a boolean
def isScramble(self, s1, s2):
 n, m = len(s1), len(s2)
 if n != m or sorted(s1) != sorted(s2):
    return False
 if n < 4 or s1 == s2:
    return True
 f = self.isScramble
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for i in range(1, n):
   if f(s1[:i], s2[:i]) and f(s1[i:], s2[i:]) or \setminus
     f(s1[:i], s2[-i:]) and f(s1[i:], s2[:-i]):
      return True
  return False
Best_solution:
Share my 4ms c++ recursive solution
class Solution {
public:
  bool isScramble(string s1, string s2) {
   if(s1==s2)
      return true;
   int len = s1.length();
   int count[26] = \{0\};
    for(int i=0; i<len; i++)
    {
      count[s1[i]-'a']++;
      count[s2[i]-'a']--;
   }
   for(int i=0; i<26; i++)
      if(count[i]!=0)
        return false;
   }
   for(int i=1; i<=len-1; i++)
      if(\ isScramble(s1.substr(0,i),\ s2.substr(0,i))\ \&\&\ isScramble(s1.substr(i),\ s2.substr(i)))\\
      if(isScramble(s1.substr(0,i), s2.substr(len-i)) && isScramble(s1.substr(i), s2.substr(0,len-i)))
        return true;
   }
   return false;
 }
};
88, Merge Sorted Array:
Python_solution:
Beautiful Python Solution
def merge(self, nums1, m, nums2, n):
   while m > 0 and n > 0:
      if nums1[m-1] >= nums2[n-1]:
        nums1[m+n-1] = nums1[m-1]
        m = 1
      else:
        nums1[m+n-1] = nums2[n-1]
        n -= 1
   if n > 0:
      nums1[:n] = nums2[:n]
Best_solution:
This is my AC code, may help you
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class Solution {
public:
  void merge(int A[], int m, int B[], int n) {
    int i=m-1;
                   int j=n-1;
                   int k = m+n-1;
                   while(i \ge 0 \&\& j \ge 0)
                             if(A[i] > B[j])
                                      A[k--] = A[i--];
                             else
                                      A[k--]=B[j--];
                   while(j>=0)
                             A[k--]=B[j--];
 }
};
89,Gray Code:
Python_solution:
One-liner Python solution (with demo in comments)
class Solution:
  # @return a list of integers
  from up to down, then left to right
  0 1 11 110
      10 111
        101
        100
  start: [0]
 i = 0: [0, 1]
  i = 1: [0, 1, 3, 2]
  i = 2: [0, 1, 3, 2, 6, 7, 5, 4]
  def grayCode(self, n):
    results = [0]
    for i in range(n):
      results += [x + pow(2, i) for x in reversed(results)]
    return results
Best_solution:
An accepted three line solution in JAVA
public List<Integer> grayCode(int n) {
  List<Integer> result = new LinkedList<>();
  for (int i = 0; i < 1 << n; i++) result.add(i \land i>>1);
  return result;
}
90,Subsets II:
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Python_solution:

 $Simple\ python\ solution\ without\ extra\ space.$

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class Solution:
  # @param num, a list of integer
  # @return a list of lists of integer
  def subsetsWithDup(self, S):
    res = [[]]
    S.sort()
    for i in range(len(S)):
      if i == 0 or S[i] != S[i - 1]:
        l = len(res)
      for j in range(len(res) - l, len(res)):
        res.append(res[j] + [S[i]])
    return res
Best_solution:
C++ solution and explanation
  class Solution {
public:
  vector<vector<int> > subsetsWithDup(vector<int> &S) {
    vector<vector<int> > totalset = {{}};
    sort(S.begin(),S.end());
    for(int i=0; i<S.size();){</pre>
      int count = 0; // num of elements are the same
      while(count + i < S.size() && S[count+i] == S[i]) count++;
      int previousN = totalset.size();
      for(int k=0; k<previousN; k++){
        vector<int> instance = totalset[k];
        for(int j=0; j<count; j++){
          instance.push_back(S[i]);
          totalset.push_back(instance);
        }
      i += count;
    return totalset;
    }
};
91,Decode Ways:
Python_solution:
Acceeted Python DP solution
class Solution:
  # @param s, a string
  #@return an integer
  def numDecodings(self, s):
    #dp[i] = dp[i-1] \text{ if } s[i] != "0"
         +dp[i-2] if "09" < s[i-1:i+1] < "27"
    if s == "": return 0
    dp = [0 \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(len(s)+1)]
    dp[0] = 1
    for i in range(1, len(s)+1):
      if s[i-1]!="0":
        dp[i] += dp[i-1]
      if i != 1 and s[i-2:i] < "27" and s[i-2:i] > "09": #"01"ways = 0
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dp[i] += dp[i-2]
   return dp[len(s)]
Best_solution:
DP Solution (Java) for reference
public class Solution {
 public int numDecodings(String s) {
   int n = s.length();
   if (n == 0) return 0;
   int[] memo = new int[n+1];
   memo[n] = 1;
   memo[n-1] = s.charAt(n-1) != '0' ? 1 : 0;
   for (int i = n - 2; i \ge 0; i--)
     if (s.charAt(i) == '0') continue;
     else\ memo[i] = (Integer.parseInt(s.substring(i,i+2)) <= 26)\ ?\ memo[i+1] + memo[i+2]: memo[i+1];
   return memo[0];
 }
}
92,Reverse Linked List II:
Python_solution:
Python one pass iterative solution
class Solution:
 #@param head, a ListNode
 # @param m, an integer
 #@param n, an integer
 #@return a ListNode
 def reverseBetween(self, head, m, n):
   if m == n:
     return head
   dummyNode = ListNode(0)
   dummyNode.next = head
   pre = dummyNode
   for i in range(m - 1):
     pre = pre.next
   # reverse the [m, n] nodes
   reverse = None
   cur = pre.next
   for i in range(n - m + 1):
     next = cur.next
     cur.next = reverse
     reverse = cur
     cur = next
    pre.next.next = cur
   pre.next = reverse
   return dummyNode.next
```

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Best_solution:
Simple Java solution with clear explanation
public ListNode reverseBetween(ListNode head, int m, int n) {
  if(head == null) return null;
  ListNode dummy = new ListNode(0); // create a dummy node to mark the head of this list
  dummy.next = head;
  ListNode pre = dummy; // make a pointer pre as a marker for the node before reversing
  for(int i = 0; i < m-1; i++) pre = pre.next;
  ListNode start = pre.next; // a pointer to the beginning of a sub-list that will be reversed
  ListNode then = start.next; // a pointer to a node that will be reversed
  //1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5; m=2; n =4 ---> pre = 1, start = 2, then = 3
  // dummy -> 1 -> 2 -> 3 -> 4 -> 5
  for(int i=0; i<n-m; i++)
  {
   start.next = then.next;
   then.next = pre.next;
   pre.next = then;
   then = start.next;
  }
  // first reversing : dummy->1 - 3 - 2 - 4 - 5; pre = 1, start = 2, then = 4
  // second reversing: dummy->1 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 5; pre = 1, start = 2, then = 5 (finish)
  return dummy.next;
}
93, Restore IP Addresses:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solution with comments (backtracking).
def restoreIpAddresses(self, s):
  res = []
  self.dfs(s, 0, "", res)
  return res
def dfs(self, s, index, path, res):
  if index == 4:
   if not s:
      res.append(path[:-1])
    return # backtracking
  for i in xrange(1, 4):
    # the digits we choose should no more than the length of s
    if i \le len(s):
      #choose one digit
      if i == 1:
        self.dfs(s[i:], index+1, path+s[:i]+".", res)
      #choose two digits, the first one should not be "0"
      elif i == 2 and s[0] != "0":
        self.dfs(s[i:], index+1, path+s[:i]+".", res)
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choose three digits, the first one should not be "0", and should less than 256

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elif i == 3 and s[0] != "0" and int(s[:3]) <= 255:
        self.dfs(s[i:], index+1, path+s[:i]+".", res)
Best_solution:
My code in Java
public class Solution {
  public List<String> restoreIpAddresses(String s) {
    List<String> res = new ArrayList<String>();
    int len = s.length():
    for(int i = 1; i<4 && i<len-2; i++){
      for(int j = i+1; j<i+4 && j<len-1; j++){
        for(int k = j+1; k < j+4 & k < len; k++){
          String s1 = s.substring(0,i), s2 = s.substring(i,j), s3 = s.substring(j,k), s4 = s.substring(k,len);
          if(isValid(s1) && isValid(s2) && isValid(s3) && isValid(s4)){
            res.add(s1+"."+s2+"."+s3+"."+s4);
          }
        }
      }
   }
   return res;
  public boolean isValid(String s){
    if(s.length()>3 || s.length()==0 || (s.charAt(0)=='0' && s.length()>1) || Integer.parseInt(s)>255)
      return false:
    return true;
 }
}
94,Binary Tree Inorder Traversal:
Python_solution:
Python recursive and iterative solutions.
# recursively
def inorderTraversal1(self, root):
  res = []
  self.helper(root, res)
  return res
def helper(self, root, res):
  if root:
   self.helper(root.left, res)
    res.append(root.val)
   self.helper(root.right, res)
# iteratively
def inorderTraversal(self, root):
  res, stack = [], []
  while True:
    while root:
      stack.append(root)
      root = root.left
   if not stack:
      return res
   node = stack.pop()
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res.append(node.val)
   root = node.right
Best_solution:
Iterative solution in Java - simple and readable
public List<Integer> inorderTraversal(TreeNode root) {
  List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
  Stack<TreeNode> stack = new Stack<TreeNode>();
  TreeNode cur = root:
  while(cur!=null || !stack.empty()){
   while(cur!=null){
     stack.add(cur);
      cur = cur.left;
   }
    cur = stack.pop();
   list.add(cur.val);
    cur = cur.right;
 return list;
}
95, Unique Binary Search Trees II:
Python_solution:
Recursive python solution
class Solution(object):
  def generateTrees(self, n):
    :type n: int
   :rtype: List[TreeNode]
   if n == 0:
     return [[]]
    return self.dfs(1, n+1)
  def dfs(self, start, end):
   if start == end:
     return None
    result = []
   for i in xrange(start, end):
     for l in self.dfs(start, i) or [None]:
        for r in self.dfs(i+1, end) or [None]:
          node = TreeNode(i)
          node.left, node.right = l, r
          result.append(node)
    return result
Best_solution:
A simple recursive solution
public class Solution {
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public List<TreeNode> generateTrees(int n) {

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return genTrees(1,n);
  public List<TreeNode> genTrees (int start, int end)
   List<TreeNode> list = new ArrayList<TreeNode>();
   if(start>end)
     list.add(null);
     return list;
   }
   if(start == end){
     list.add(new TreeNode(start));
     return list;
   }
   List<TreeNode> left,right;
   for(int i=start;i<=end;i++)</pre>
    {
     left = genTrees(start, i-1);
     right = genTrees(i+1,end);
     for(TreeNode Inode: left)
        for(TreeNode rnode: right)
          TreeNode root = new TreeNode(i);
          root.left = lnode;
          root.right = rnode;
          list.add(root);
        }
     }
   }
   return list;
 }
96, Unique Binary Search Trees:
Best_solution:
DP Solution in 6 lines with explanation. F(i, n) = G(i-1) * G(n-i)
G(n)
97,Interleaving String:
Python_solution:
Python DP solutions (O(m*n), O(n) \text{ space}), BFS, DFS.
# O(m*n) space
defisInterleave1(self, s1, s2, s3):
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}

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r, c, l = len(s1), len(s2), len(s3)
  if r+c != l:
    return False
  dp = [[True for _in xrange(c+1)] for _in xrange(r+1)]
  for i in xrange(1, r+1):
    dp[i][0] = dp[i-1][0] and s1[i-1] == s3[i-1]
  for j in xrange(1, c+1):
    dp[0][j] = dp[0][j-1] and s2[j-1] == s3[j-1]
  for i in xrange(1, r+1):
    for j in xrange(1, c+1):
       dp[i][j] = (dp[i-1][j] \text{ and } s1[i-1] == s3[i-1+j]) \text{ or } \setminus
         (dp[i][j-1] \text{ and } s2[j-1] == s3[i-1+j])
  return dp[-1][-1]
# O(2*n) space
def isInterleave2(self, s1, s2, s3):
  11, 12, 13 = len(s1)+1, len(s2)+1, len(s3)+1
  if l1+l2!=l3+1:
    return False
  pre = [True for _ in xrange(l2)]
  for j in xrange(1, l2):
    pre[j] = pre[j-1] and s2[j-1] == s3[j-1]
  for i in xrange(1, l1):
    cur = [pre[0] \text{ and } s1[i-1] == s3[i-1]] * l2
    for j in xrange(1, l2):
       cur[j] = (cur[j-1] \text{ and } s2[j-1] == s3[i+j-1]) \text{ or } \setminus
            (pre[j] \text{ and } s1[i-1] == s3[i+j-1])
    pre = cur[:]
  return pre[-1]
# O(n) space
defisInterleave3(self, s1, s2, s3):
  r, c, l = len(s1), len(s2), len(s3)
  if r+c != l:
    return False
  dp = [True for _ in xrange(c+1)]
  for j in xrange(1, c+1):
    dp[j] = dp[j-1] and s2[j-1] == s3[j-1]
  for i in xrange(1, r+1):
    dp[0] = (dp[0] \text{ and } s1[i-1] == s3[i-1])
    for j in xrange(1, c+1):
      dp[j] = (dp[j] \text{ and } s1[i-1] == s3[i-1+j]) \text{ or } (dp[j-1] \text{ and } s2[j-1] == s3[i-1+j])
  return dp[-1]
# DFS
def isInterleave4(self, s1, s2, s3):
  r, c, l = len(s1), len(s2), len(s3)
  if r+c != l:
    return False
  stack, visited = [(0, 0)], set((0, 0))
  while stack:
    x, y = stack.pop()
    if x+y == 1:
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return True
    if x+1 \le r and s1[x] == s3[x+y] and (x+1, y) not in visited:
      stack.append((x+1, y)); visited.add((x+1, y))
    if y+1 \le c and s2[y] == s3[x+y] and (x, y+1) not in visited:
      stack.append((x, y+1)); visited.add((x, y+1))
  return False
#BFS
def isInterleave(self, s1, s2, s3):
  r, c, l = len(s1), len(s2), len(s3)
  if r+c != l:
    return False
  queue, visited = [(0, 0)], set((0, 0))
  while queue:
    x, y = queue.pop(0)
    if x+y == 1:
      return True
    if x+1 \le r and s1[x] == s3[x+y] and (x+1, y) not in visited:
      queue.append((x+1, y)); visited.add((x+1, y))
    if y+1 \le c and s2[y] == s3[x+y] and (x, y+1) not in visited:
      queue.append((x, y+1)); visited.add((x, y+1))
  return False
Best_solution:
My DP solution in C++
bool isInterleave(string s1, string s2, string s3) {
  if(s3.length() != s1.length() + s2.length())
    return false;
  bool table[s1.length()+1][s2.length()+1];
  for(int i=0; i<s1.length()+1; i++)
    for(int j=0; j < s2.length()+1; j++){
      if(i==0 \&\& j==0)
        table[i][j] = true;
      else if(i == 0)
        table[i][j] = (table[i][j-1] && s2[j-1] == s3[i+j-1]);
      else if(j == 0)
        table[i][j] = (table[i-1][j] && s1[i-1] == s3[i+j-1]);
        table[i][j] = (table[i-1][j] \&\& s1[i-1] == s3[i+j-1])|| (table[i][j-1] \&\& s2[j-1] == s3[i+j-1]);
    }
  return table[s1.length()][s2.length()];
}
98, Validate Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
Python version based on inorder traversal
# Definition for a binary tree node
# class TreeNode:
# def __init__(self, x):
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#
     self.val = x
#
     self.left = None
     self.right = None
class Solution:
  #@param root, a tree node
  #@return a boolean
  # 7:38
  def isValidBST(self, root):
   output = []
   self.inOrder(root, output)
   for i in range(1, len(output)):
      if output[i-1] >= output[i]:
        return False
    return True
  def inOrder(self, root, output):
   if root is None:
     return
   self.inOrder(root.left, output)
   output.append(root.val)
   self.inOrder(root.right, output)
Best_solution:
C++ in-order traversal, and please do not rely on buggy INT_MAX, INT_MIN solutions any more
class Solution {
public:
  bool isValidBST(TreeNode* root) {
   TreeNode* prev = NULL;
    return validate(root, prev);
  bool validate(TreeNode* node, TreeNode* &prev) {
   if (node == NULL) return true;
   if (!validate(node->left, prev)) return false;
   if (prev!= NULL && prev->val >= node->val) return false;
   prev = node;
   return validate(node->right, prev);
};
99,Recover Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
Tree Deserializer and Visualizer for Python
deserialize('[1,2,3,null,null,4,null,null,5]')
Best_solution:
No Fancy Algorithm, just Simple and Powerful In-Order Traversal
private void traverse (TreeNode root) {
 if (root == null)
   return;
 traverse(root.left);
```

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// Do some business
 traverse(root.right);
}
100,Same Tree:
Python_solution:
Shortest+simplest Python
def isSameTree(self, p, q):
  if p and q:
    return p.val == q.val and self.isSameTree(p.left, q.left) and self.isSameTree(p.right, q.right)
  return p is q
Best_solution:
Five line Java solution with recursion
public boolean isSameTree(TreeNode p, TreeNode q) {
  if(p == null && q == null) return true;
  if(p == null || q == null) return false;
  if(p.val == q.val)
   return isSameTree(p.left, q.left) && isSameTree(p.right, q.right);
  return false;
}
101,Symmetric Tree:
Python_solution:
Recursively and iteratively solution in Python
class Solution:
 def isSymmetric(self, root):
 if root is None:
  return True
  else:
   return self.isMirror(root.left, root.right)
 def isMirror(self, left, right):
 if left is None and right is None:
  return True
  if left is None or right is None:
  return False
  if left.val == right.val:
   outPair = self.isMirror(left.left, right.right)
   inPiar = self.isMirror(left.right, right.left)
   return outPair and inPiar
  else:
   return False
Best solution:
Recursive and non-recursive solutions in Java
public boolean isSymmetric(TreeNode root) {
  return root==null || isSymmetricHelp(root.left, root.right);
}
private boolean isSymmetricHelp(TreeNode left, TreeNode right){
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if(left==null || right==null)
   return left==right;
  if(left.val!=right.val)
    return false;
  return\ is Symmetric Help (left.left,\ right.right)\ \&\&\ is Symmetric Help (left.right,\ right.left);
}
102,Binary Tree Level Order Traversal:
Python_solution:
5-6 lines fast python solution (48 ms)
level
Best_solution:
Java solution with a queue used
public class Solution {
  public List<List<Integer>> levelOrder(TreeNode root) {
    Queue<TreeNode> queue = new LinkedList<TreeNode>();
    List<List<Integer>> wrapList = new LinkedList<List<Integer>>();
   if(root == null) return wrapList;
    queue.offer(root);
    while(!queue.isEmpty()){
     int levelNum = queue.size();
     List<Integer> subList = new LinkedList<Integer>();
      for(int i=0; i<levelNum; i++) {</pre>
        if(queue.peek().left!= null) queue.offer(queue.peek().left);
        if(queue.peek().right!= null) queue.offer(queue.peek().right);
        subList.add(queue.poll().val);
     wrapList.add(subList);
   return wrapList;
 }
}
103,Binary Tree Zigzag Level Order Traversal:
Python_solution:
Python simple BFS
class Solution(object):
def zigzagLevelOrder(self, root):
 :type root: TreeNode
 :rtype: List[List[int]]
  if not root: return []
  res, temp, stack, flag=[], [], [root], 1
  while stack:
    for i in xrange(len(stack)):
      node=stack.pop(0)
     temp+=[node.val]
     if node.left: stack+=[node.left]
      if node.right: stack+=[node.right]
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temp=[]
   flag*=-1
 return res
Best_solution:
My accepted JAVA solution
public class Solution {
 public List<List<Integer>> zigzagLevelOrder(TreeNode root)
   List<List<Integer>> sol = new ArrayList<>();
   travel(root, sol, 0);
   return sol;
 }
 private void travel(TreeNode curr, List<List<Integer>> sol, int level)
   if(curr == null) return;
   if(sol.size() <= level)
     List<Integer> newLevel = new LinkedList<>();
     sol.add(newLevel);
   List<Integer> collection = sol.get(level);
   if(level % 2 == 0) collection.add(curr.val);
   else collection.add(0, curr.val);
   travel(curr.left, sol, level + 1);
   travel(curr.right, sol, level + 1);
}
104,Maximum Depth of Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
1 line Ruby and Python
def max_depth(root)
root?1+[max_depth(root.left), max_depth(root.right)].max:0
Best_solution:
Can leetcode share top performing solution(s) of problems for each supported language?
int maxDepth(TreeNode* root) {
 if (root == NULL)
   return 0;
 stack<TreeNode*> myStack;
 stack<int> depthStack;
 if (root != NULL) myStack.push(root);
 int maxDepth = 0;
 depthStack.push(0);
 while (!myStack.empty()) {
   TreeNode *p = myStack.top();
```

res+=[temp[::flag]]

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int d = depthStack.top();
   if (d > maxDepth) maxDepth = d;
    myStack.pop();
   depthStack.pop();
   if (p->left != NULL) \{myStack.push(p->left); depthStack.push(d+1); \}\\
   if (p->right!= NULL) {myStack.push(p->right); depthStack.push(d + 1);}
  return maxDepth + 1;
}
105,Construct Binary Tree from Preorder and Inorder Traversal:
Python_solution:
Python short recursive solution.
def buildTree(self, preorder, inorder):
  if inorder:
   ind = inorder.index(preorder.pop(0))
    root = TreeNode(inorder[ind])
    root.left = self.buildTree(preorder, inorder[0:ind])
    root.right = self.buildTree(preorder, inorder[ind+1:])
    return root
Best_solution:
My Accepted Java Solution
public TreeNode buildTree(int[] preorder, int[] inorder) {
  return helper(0, 0, inorder.length - 1, preorder, inorder);
}
public TreeNode helper(int preStart, int inStart, int inEnd, int[] preorder, int[] inorder) {
  if (preStart > preorder.length - 1 || inStart > inEnd) {
    return null;
  TreeNode root = new TreeNode(preorder[preStart]);
  int inIndex = 0; // Index of current root in inorder
  for (int i = inStart; i \le inEnd; i++) {
   if (inorder[i] == root.val) {
      inIndex = i;
   }
  root.left = helper(preStart + 1, inStart, inIndex - 1, preorder, inorder);
  root.right = helper(preStart + inIndex - inStart + 1, inIndex + 1, inEnd, preorder, inorder);
  return root;
}
106,Construct Binary Tree from Inorder and Postorder Traversal:
Python_solution:
A Python recursive solution
# Definition for a binary tree node
# class TreeNode:
# def __init__(self, x):
#
     self.val = x
     self.left = None
     self.right = None
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class Solution:
  # @param inorder, a list of integers
  # @param postorder, a list of integers
  #@return a tree node
  # 12:00
  def buildTree(self, inorder, postorder):
   if not inorder or not postorder:
      return None
    root = TreeNode(postorder.pop())
   inorderIndex = inorder.index(root.val)
    root.right = self.buildTree(inorder[inorderIndex+1:], postorder)
    root.left = self.buildTree(inorder[:inorderIndex], postorder)
    return root
Best_solution:
My recursive Java code with O(n) time and O(n) space
public TreeNode buildTreePostIn(int[] inorder, int[] postorder) {
         if (inorder == null || postorder == null || inorder.length != postorder.length)
                   return null;
         HashMap<Integer, Integer> hm = new HashMap<Integer,Integer>();
         for (int i=0;i<inorder.length;++i)
                   hm.put(inorder[i], i);
         return buildTreePostIn(inorder, 0, inorder.length-1, postorder, 0,
             postorder.length-1,hm);
}
private\ TreeNode\ build TreePostIn (int[]\ inorder, int\ is, int\ ie, int[]\ postorder, int\ ps, int\ pe,
                 HashMap<Integer,Integer> hm){
         if (ps>pe || is>ie) return null;
         TreeNode root = new TreeNode(postorder[pe]);
         int ri = hm.get(postorder[pe]);
         TreeNode leftchild = buildTreePostIn(inorder, is, ri-1, postorder, ps, ps+ri-is-1, hm);
         TreeNode rightchild = buildTreePostIn(inorder,ri+1, ie, postorder, ps+ri-is, pe-1, hm);
         root.left = leftchild;
         root.right = rightchild;
         return root;
}
107,Binary Tree Level Order Traversal II:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (dfs recursively, dfs+stack, bfs+queue).
# dfs recursively
def levelOrderBottom1(self, root):
  res = []
  self.dfs(root, 0, res)
  return res
def dfs(self, root, level, res):
  if root:
    if len(res) < level + 1:
      res.insert(0, [])
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res[-(level+1)].append(root.val)
   self.dfs(root.left, level+1, res)
   self.dfs(root.right, level+1, res)
# dfs + stack
def levelOrderBottom2(self, root):
 stack = [(root, 0)]
  res = ∏
  while stack:
   node, level = stack.pop()
   if node:
     if len(res) < level+1:
        res.insert(0, [])
      res[-(level+1)].append(node.val)
      stack.append((node.right, level+1))
      stack.append((node.left, level+1))
  return res
# bfs + queue
def levelOrderBottom(self, root):
  queue, res = collections.deque([(root, 0)]), []
  while queue:
   node, level = queue.popleft()
   if node:
     if len(res) < level+1:
        res.insert(0, [])
      res[-(level+1)].append(node.val)
      queue.append((node.left, level+1))
      queue.append((node.right, level+1))
  return res
Best_solution:
My DFS and BFS java solution
public class Solution {
  public List<List<Integer>> levelOrderBottom(TreeNode root) {
    Queue<TreeNode> queue = new LinkedList<TreeNode>();
    List<List<Integer>> wrapList = new LinkedList<List<Integer>>();
   if(root == null) return wrapList;
    queue.offer(root);
    while(!queue.isEmpty()){
     int levelNum = queue.size();
     List<Integer> subList = new LinkedList<Integer>();
      for(int i=0; i<levelNum; i++) {</pre>
        if(queue.peek().left!= null) queue.offer(queue.peek().left);
        if(queue.peek().right!= null) queue.offer(queue.peek().right);
        subList.add(queue.poll().val);
     wrapList.add(0, subList);
   return wrapList;
}
```

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108,Convert Sorted Array to Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
An easy Python solution
# Definition for a binary tree node
# class TreeNode:
# def __init__(self, x):
     self.val = x
#
#
     self.left = None
     self.right = None
#
class Solution:
 # @param num, a list of integers
 #@return a tree node
 # 12:37
 def sortedArrayToBST(self, num):
   if not num:
     return None
   mid = len(num) // 2
   root = TreeNode(num[mid])
    root.left = self.sortedArrayToBST(num[:mid])
   root.right = self.sortedArrayToBST(num[mid+1:])
   return root
Best solution:
My Accepted Java Solution
public TreeNode sortedArrayToBST(int[] num) {
 if (num.length == 0) {
   return null;
 TreeNode head = helper(num, 0, num.length - 1);
 return head;
}
public TreeNode helper(int[] num, int low, int high) {
 if (low > high) { // Done
   return null;
 int mid = (low + high) / 2;
 TreeNode node = new TreeNode(num[mid]);
 node.left = helper(num, low, mid - 1);
 node.right = helper(num, mid + 1, high);
 return node;
}
109,Convert Sorted List to Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
Python recursive solution with detailed comments (operate linked-list directly).
# recursively
def sortedListToBST(self, head):
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if not head:
    return
  if not head.next:
    return TreeNode(head.val)
  # here we get the middle point,
  # even case, like '1234', slow points to '2',
  #'3' is root, '12' belongs to left, '4' is right
  # odd case, like '12345', slow points to '2', '12'
  # belongs to left, '3' is root, '45' belongs to right
  slow, fast = head, head.next.next
  while fast and fast.next:
   fast = fast.next.next
   slow = slow.next
  # tmp points to root
  tmp = slow.next
  # cut down the left child
  slow.next = None
  root = TreeNode(tmp.val)
  root.left = self.sortedListToBST(head)
  root.right = self.sortedListToBST(tmp.next)
  return root
Best_solution:
Share my JAVA solution, 1ms, very short and concise.
public class Solution {
public TreeNode sortedListToBST(ListNode head) {
  if(head==null) return null;
  return toBST(head,null);
public TreeNode toBST(ListNode head, ListNode tail){
  ListNode slow = head;
  ListNode fast = head;
  if(head==tail) return null;
  while(fast!=tail&&fast.next!=tail){
   fast = fast.next.next;
   slow = slow.next;
  TreeNode thead = new TreeNode(slow.val);
  thead.left = toBST(head,slow);
  thead.right = toBST(slow.next,tail);
  return thead;
}
110,Balanced Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
A simple Python recursive solution - 172ms
# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode:
# def __init__(self, x):
#
     self.val = x
     self.left = None
     self.right = None
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class Solution:
  # @param {TreeNode} root
  #@return {boolean}
  def isBalanced(self, root):
   if not root:
      return True
    return abs(self.getHeight(root.left) - self.getHeight(root.right)) < 2 and self.isBalanced(root.left) and
self.isBalanced(root.right)
  def getHeight(self, root):
   if not root:
      return 0
    return 1 + max(self.getHeight(root.left), self.getHeight(root.right))
Best_solution:
The bottom up O(N) solution would be better
class solution {
public:
  int depth (TreeNode *root) {
   if (root == NULL) return 0;
    return max (depth(root -> left), depth (root -> right)) + 1;
 }
  bool isBalanced (TreeNode *root) {
   if (root == NULL) return true;
   int left=depth(root->left);
   int right=depth(root->right);
   return abs(left - right) <= 1 && isBalanced(root->left) && isBalanced(root->right);
 }
};
111, Minimum Depth of Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
My solution in python
class Solution:
  #@param root, a tree node
  #@return an integer
  def minDepth(self, root):
   if root == None:
      return 0
    if root.left==None or root.right==None:
      return self.minDepth(root.left)+self.minDepth(root.right)+1
    return min(self.minDepth(root.right),self.minDepth(root.left))+1
Best_solution:
My 4 Line java solution
public class Solution {
  public int minDepth(TreeNode root) {
   if(root == null) return 0;
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int left = minDepth(root.left);
   int right = minDepth(root.right);
   return (left == 0 || right == 0) ? left + right + 1: Math.min(left,right) + 1;
 }
}
112,Path Sum:
Python_solution:
Short Python recursive solution - O(n)
# Definition for a binary tree node
# class TreeNode:
# def __init__(self, x):
#
     self.val = x
#
     self.left = None
#
     self.right = None
class Solution:
  # @param root, a tree node
  #@param sum, an integer
  #@return a boolean
  #1:27
  def hasPathSum(self, root, sum):
   if not root:
     return False
   if not root.left and not root.right and root.val == sum:
     return True
   sum -= root.val
    return self.hasPathSum(root.left, sum) or self.hasPathSum(root.right, sum)
Best_solution:
[Accepted]My recursive solution in Java
public class Solution {
  public boolean hasPathSum(TreeNode root, int sum) {
   if(root == null) return false;
   if(root.left == null && root.right == null && sum - root.val == 0) return true;
   return hasPathSum(root.left, sum - root.val) || hasPathSum(root.right, sum - root.val);
 }
}
113,Path Sum II:
Python_solution:
Short python solution
class Solution:
def pathSum(self, root, sum):
  if not root: return []
  if root.left == None and root.right == None:
   if sum == root.val:
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return [[root.val]]
   else:
      return []
  a = self.pathSum(root.left, sum - root.val) + \
   self.pathSum(root.right, sum - root.val)
  return [[root.val] + i for i in a]
Best_solution:
DFS with one LinkedList, accepted java solution
public List<List<Integer>> pathSum(TreeNode root, int sum){
         List<List<Integer>> result = new LinkedList<List<Integer>>();
         List<Integer> currentResult = new LinkedList<Integer>();
         pathSum(root,sum,currentResult,result);
         return result;
}
public void pathSum(TreeNode root, int sum, List<Integer> currentResult,
                  List<List<Integer>> result) {
         if(root == null)
                  return;
         currentResult.add(new Integer(root.val));
         if (root.left == null && root.right == null && sum == root.val) {
                  result.add(new LinkedList(currentResult));
                  currentResult.remove(currentResult.size() - 1);//don't forget to remove the last integer
         } else {
                  pathSum(root.left, sum - root.val, currentResult, result);
                  pathSum(root.right, sum - root.val, currentResult, result);
         currentResult.remove(currentResult.size() - 1);
}
114,Flatten Binary Tree to Linked List:
Python_solution:
An inorder python solution
class Solution:
# @param root, a tree node
# @return nothing, do it in place
prev = None
def flatten(self, root):
  if not root:
    return
  self.prev = root
  self.flatten(root.left)
  temp = root.right
  root.right, root.left = root.left, None
  self.prev.right = temp
  self.flatten(temp)
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n
left right
Best_solution:
My short post order traversal Java solution for share
private TreeNode prev = null;
public void flatten(TreeNode root) {
  if (root == null)
    return;
  flatten(root.right);
  flatten(root.left);
  root.right = prev;
  root.left = null;
  prev = root;
}
115,Distinct Subsequences:
Best_solution:
Easy to understand DP in Java
mem
116,Populating Next Right Pointers in Each Node:
Best_solution:
A simple accepted solution
void connect(TreeLinkNode *root) {
  if (root == NULL) return;
  TreeLinkNode *pre = root;
  TreeLinkNode *cur = NULL;
  while(pre->left) {
    cur = pre;
    while(cur) {
      cur->left->next = cur->right;
      if(cur->next) cur->right->next = cur->next->left;
      cur = cur->next;
   }
   pre = pre->left;
 }
}
```

117,Populating Next Right Pointers in Each Node II:

$Python_solution:$

AC Python O(1) space solution 12 lines and easy to understand def connect(self, node):

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tail = dummy = TreeLinkNode(0)
  while node:
   tail.next = node.left
   if tail.next:
     tail = tail.next
   tail.next = node.right
   if tail.next:
     tail = tail.next
   node = node.next
   if not node:
     tail = dummy
     node = dummy.next
#61/61 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 100 ms
# 95.26%
Best_solution:
O(1) space O(n) complexity Iterative Solution
public class Solution {
  //based on level order traversal
  public void connect(TreeLinkNode root) {
   TreeLinkNode head = null; //head of the next level
   TreeLinkNode prev = null; //the leading node on the next level
   TreeLinkNode cur = root; //current node of current level
   while (cur!= null) {
     while (cur!= null) { //iterate on the current level
        //left child
        if (cur.left!= null) {
          if (prev!= null) {
            prev.next = cur.left;
          } else {
            head = cur.left;
          prev = cur.left;
        //right child
        if (cur.right != null) {
          if (prev!= null) {
            prev.next = cur.right;
            head = cur.right;
          prev = cur.right;
        //move to next node
        cur = cur.next;
```

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//move to next level
      cur = head;
     head = null;
     prev = null;
   }
}
118,Pascal's Triangle:
Python_solution:
Python 4 lines short solution using map.
def generate(self, numRows):
   res = [[1]]
    for i in range(1, numRows):
      res += [map(lambda x, y: x+y, res[-1] + [0], [0] + res[-1])]
    return res[:numRows]
Best_solution:
My concise solution in Java
public class Solution {
public List<List<Integer>> generate(int numRows)
{
         List<List<Integer>> allrows = new ArrayList<List<Integer>>();
         ArrayList<Integer> row = new ArrayList<Integer>();
         for(int i=0;i<numRows;i++)</pre>
         {
                  row.add(0, 1);
                  for(int j=1; j< row.size()-1; j++)
                            row.set(j, row.get(j)+row.get(j+1));
                  allrows.add(new ArrayList<Integer>(row));
         return allrows;
}
119,Pascal's Triangle II:
Python_solution:
Very simple Python solution
class Solution(object):
  def getRow(self, rowIndex):
   :type rowIndex: int
   :rtype: List[int]
    row = [1]
   for _ in range(rowIndex):
      row = [x + y for x, y in zip([0] + row, row + [0])]
    return row
```

Best_solution:

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Here is my brief O(k) solution
class Solution {
  vector<int> getRow(int rowIndex) {
    vector<int> A(rowIndex+1, 0);
    A[0] = 1;
    for(int i=1; i<rowIndex+1; i++)</pre>
      for(int j=i; j>=1; j--)
        A[j] += A[j-1];
    return A;
};
120,Triangle:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solutions (top-down, bottom-up).
# O(n*n/2) space, top-down
def minimumTotal1(self, triangle):
  if not triangle:
    return
  res = [[0 for i in xrange(len(row))] for row in triangle]
  res[0][0] = triangle[0][0]
  for i in xrange(1, len(triangle)):
    for j in xrange(len(triangle[i])):
      if j == 0:
        res[i][j] = res[i-1][j] + triangle[i][j]
      elif j == len(triangle[i])-1:
        res[i][j] = res[i-1][j-1] + triangle[i][j]
      else:
        res[i][j] = min(res[i-1][j-1], res[i-1][j]) + triangle[i][j]
  return min(res[-1])
# Modify the original triangle, top-down
def minimumTotal2(self, triangle):
  if not triangle:
    return
  for i in xrange(1, len(triangle)):
    for j in xrange(len(triangle[i])):
      if j == 0:
        triangle[i][j] += triangle[i-1][j]
      elif j == len(triangle[i])-1:
        triangle[i][j] += triangle[i-1][j-1]
        triangle[i][j] += min(triangle[i-1][j-1], triangle[i-1][j])
  return min(triangle[-1])
# Modify the original triangle, bottom-up
def minimumTotal3(self, triangle):
  if not triangle:
    return
  for i in xrange(len(triangle)-2, -1, -1):
    for j in xrange(len(triangle[i])):
      triangle[i][j] += min(triangle[i+1][j], triangle[i+1][j+1])
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return triangle[0][0]
# bottom-up, O(n) space
def minimumTotal(self, triangle):
  if not triangle:
   return
  res = triangle[-1]
  for i in xrange(len(triangle)-2, -1, -1):
    for j in xrange(len(triangle[i])):
      res[j] = min(res[j], res[j+1]) + triangle[i][j]
  return res[0]
Best_solution:
DP Solution for Triangle
minpath[k][i] = min(minpath[k+1][i], minpath[k+1][i+1]) + triangle[k][i];
121,Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock:
Python_solution:
Easy O(n) Python solution
def maxProfit(prices):
  max_profit, min_price = 0, float('inf')
  for price in prices:
   min_price = min(min_price, price)
   profit = price - min_price
   max_profit = max(max_profit, profit)
  return max_profit
Best_solution:
Kadane's Algorithm - Since no one has mentioned about this so far:) (In case if interviewer twists the input)
Kadane's Algorithm
122,Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock II:
Python_solution:
Clear 1-line Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def maxProfit(self, prices):
    return sum(max(prices[i + 1] - prices[i], 0) for i in range(len(prices) - 1))
Best solution:
Is this question a joke?
public class Solution {
public int maxProfit(int[] prices) {
  int total = 0;
  for (int i=0; i< prices.length-1; i++) {
   if (prices[i+1]>prices[i]) total += prices[i+1]-prices[i];
 }
  return total;
}
123,Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock III:
Best_solution:
Is it Best Solution with O(n), O(1).
public class Solution {
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public int maxProfit(int[] prices) {
    int hold1 = Integer.MIN_VALUE, hold2 = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
    int release1 = 0, release2 = 0;
    for(int i:prices){
                                   // Assume we only have 0 money at first
      release2 = Math.max(release2, hold2+i); // The maximum if we've just sold 2nd stock so far.
     hold2 = Math.max(hold2, release1-i); // The maximum if we've just buy 2nd stock so far.
      release1 = Math.max(release1, hold1+i); // The maximum if we've just sold 1nd stock so far.
                                          // The maximum if we've just buy 1st stock so far.
     hold1 = Math.max(hold1, -i);
   return release2; ///Since release1 is initiated as 0, so release2 will always higher than release1.
124,Binary Tree Maximum Path Sum:
Python_solution:
12 lines of Python code, fast and easy to understand
class Solution(object):
  def maxPathSum(self, root):
   def dfs(node): # returns: max one side path sum, max path sum
     l = r = 0
     ls = rs = None
      if node.left:
        l, ls = dfs(node.left)
        l = max(l, 0)
      if node.right:
        r, rs = dfs(node.right)
        r = max(r, 0)
      return node.val + max(l, r), max(node.val + l + r, ls, rs)
    if root:
      return dfs(root)[1]
    return 0
Best_solution:
Accepted short solution in Java
maxPathDown(TreeNode node)
125, Valid Palindrome:
Python_solution:
Python in-place two-pointer solution.
def isPalindrome(self, s):
 l, r = 0, len(s)-1
  while l < r:
    while l < r and not s[l].isalnum():
     l += 1
    while l < r and not s[r].isalnum():
   if s[l].lower() != s[r].lower():
      return False
   l +=1; r -= 1
  return True
Best_solution:
Accepted pretty Java solution(271ms)
public class Solution {
  public boolean isPalindrome(String s) {
```

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if (s.isEmpty()) {
         return true;
   int head = 0, tail = s.length() - 1;
    char cHead, cTail;
   while(head <= tail) {
         cHead = s.charAt(head);
         cTail = s.charAt(tail);
         if (!Character.isLetterOrDigit(cHead)) {
                   head++;
         } else if(!Character.isLetterOrDigit(cTail)) {
         } else {
                   if (Character.toLowerCase(cHead) != Character.toLowerCase(cTail)) {
                             return false;
                   head++;
                   tail--;
         }
   }
   return true;
 }
}
126,Word Ladder II:
Python_solution:
Use defaultdict for traceback and easy writing, 20 lines python code
class Solution:
# @param start, a string
# @param end, a string
# @param dict, a set of string
# @return a list of lists of string
def findLadders(self, start, end, dic):
  dic.add(end)
 level = {start}
  parents = collections.defaultdict(set)
  while level and end not in parents:
   next_level = collections.defaultdict(set)
    for node in level:
      for char in string.ascii_lowercase:
        for i in range(len(start)):
          n = node[:i]+char+node[i+1:]
          if n in dic and n not in parents:
            next_level[n].add(node)
   level = next_level
   parents.update(next_level)
  res = [[end]]
  while res and res[0][0] != start:
    res = [[p]+r for r in res for p in parents[r[0]]]
  return res
```

$Best_solution:$

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Share two similar Java solution that Acceted by OJ.
public class Solution {
         Map<String,List<String>> map;
         List<List<String>> results;
 public List<List<String>> findLadders(String start, String end, Set<String> dict) {
    results= new ArrayList<List<String>>();
   if(dict.size() == 0)
                           return results:
   int min=Integer.MAX_VALUE;
    Queue<String> queue= new ArrayDeque<String>();
    queue.add(start);
                  map = new HashMap<String,List<String>>();
                  Map<String,Integer> ladder = new HashMap<String,Integer>();
                  for (String string:dict)
                    ladder.put(string, Integer.MAX_VALUE);
                  ladder.put(start, 0);
                  dict.add(end);
                  //BFS: Dijisktra search
                  while (!queue.isEmpty()) {
                           String word = queue.poll();
                           int step = ladder.get(word)+1;//'step' indicates how many steps are needed to
travel to one word.
                           if (step>min) break;
                           for (int i = 0; i < word.length(); i++){
                             StringBuilder builder = new StringBuilder(word);
                                     for (char ch='a'; ch <= 'z'; ch++){
                                              builder.setCharAt(i,ch);
                                              String new_word=builder.toString();
                                              if (ladder.containsKey(new_word)) {
                                                if (step>ladder.get(new_word))//Check if it is the shortest path
to one word.
                                                       continue;
                                                else if (step<ladder.get(new_word)){
                                                       queue.add(new_word);
                                                       ladder.put(new_word, step);
                                                }else;// It is a KEY line. If one word already appeared in one
ladder,
                                                   // Do not insert the same word inside the queue twice.
Otherwise it gets TLE.
                                                if (map.containsKey(new_word)) //Build adjacent Graph
                                                       map.get(new_word).add(word);
                                                else{
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List<String> list= new LinkedList<String>();
                                                       list.add(word);
                                                       map.put(new_word,list);
                                                       //It is possible to write three lines in one:
                                                       //map.put(new_word,new
LinkedList<String>(Arrays.asList(new String[]{word})));
                                                       //Which one is better?
                                               if (new_word.equals(end))
                                                       min=step;
                                             }//End if dict contains new_word
                                    }//End:Iteration from 'a' to 'z'
                           }//End:Iteration from the first to the last
                  }//End While
         //BackTracking
                  LinkedList<String> result = new LinkedList<String>();
                  backTrace(end,start,result);
                  return results;
 }
 private void backTrace(String word,String start,List<String> list){
         if (word.equals(start)){
                  list.add(0,start);
                  results.add(new ArrayList<String>(list));
                  list.remove(0);
                  return;
         list.add(0,word);
         if (map.get(word)!=null)
                  for (String s:map.get(word))
                           backTrace(s,start,list);
         list.remove(0);
 }
}
127, Word Ladder:
Python_solution:
Share my two Python solutions: a very concise one (12 lines, ~160ms) and an optimized solution (~100ms)
class Solution:
 # @param {string} beginWord
 # @param {string} endWord
 # @param {set<string>} wordDict
 # @return {integer}
 def ladderLength(self, beginWord, endWord, wordDict):
   length = 2
   front, back = set([beginWord]), set([endWord])
   wordDict.discard(beginWord)
   while front:
      # generate all valid transformations
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front = wordDict & (set(word[:index] + ch + word[index+1:] for word in front
                for index in range(len(beginWord)) for ch in 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'))
     if front & back:
        # there are common elements in front and back, done
        return length
     length += 1
     if len(front) > len(back):
        # swap front and back for better performance (fewer choices in generating nextSet)
       front, back = back, front
      # remove transformations from wordDict to avoid cycle
     wordDict -= front
    return 0
Best_solution:
Easy 76ms C++ Solution using BFS
start = "hit"
128,Longest Consecutive Sequence:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) solution using sets
class Solution:
 # @param num, a list of integer
 #@return an integer
 def longestConsecutive(self, num):
   num=set(num)
   maxLen=0
   while num:
     n=num.pop()
     i=n+1
     l1=0
     12=0
     while i in num:
       num.remove(i)
       i+=1
       l1+=1
     i=n-1
     while i in num:
       num.remove(i)
       i-=1
       12+=1
     maxLen=max(maxLen,l1+l2+1)
    return maxLen
Best_solution:
My really simple Java O(n) solution - Accepted
public int longestConsecutive(int[] num) {
 int res = 0;
 HashMap<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
 for (int n: num) {
   if (!map.containsKey(n)) {
     int left = (map.containsKey(n - 1)) ? map.get(n - 1) : 0;
     int right = (map.containsKey(n + 1))? map.get(n + 1) : 0;
     // sum: length of the sequence n is in
     int sum = left + right + 1;
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map.put(n, sum);
     // keep track of the max length
      res = Math.max(res, sum);
     // extend the length to the boundary(s)
     // of the sequence
     // will do nothing if n has no neighbors
     map.put(n - left, sum);
     map.put(n + right, sum);
    }
   else {
     // duplicates
     continue;
   }
 }
 return res;
}
129,Sum Root to Leaf Numbers:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (dfs+stack, bfs+queue, dfs recursively).
# dfs + stack
def sumNumbers1(self, root):
 if not root:
   return 0
  stack, res = [(root, root.val)], 0
  while stack:
   node, value = stack.pop()
   if node:
      if not node.left and not node.right:
        res += value
     if node.right:
        stack.append((node.right, value*10+node.right.val))
     if node.left:
        stack.append((node.left, value*10+node.left.val))
  return res
# bfs + queue
def sumNumbers2(self, root):
  if not root:
    return 0
  queue, res = collections.deque([(root, root.val)]), 0
  while queue:
   node, value = queue.popleft()
   if node:
      if not node.left and not node.right:
        res += value
     if node.left:
        queue.append((node.left, value*10+node.left.val))
      if node.right:
        queue.append((node.right, value*10+node.right.val))
  return res
```

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# recursively
def sumNumbers(self, root):
  self.res = 0
  self.dfs(root, 0)
  return self.res
def dfs(self, root, value):
  if root:
    #if not root.left and not root.right:
    # self.res += value*10 + root.val
    self.dfs(root.left, value*10+root.val)
    #if not root.left and not root.right:
    # self.res += value*10 + root.val
    self.dfs(root.right, value*10+root.val)
    if not root.left and not root.right:
      self.res += value*10 + root.val
Best_solution:
Short Java solution. Recursion.
public int sumNumbers(TreeNode root) {
         return sum(root, 0);
}
public int sum(TreeNode n, int s){
         if (n == null) return 0;
         if (n.right == null && n.left == null) return s*10 + n.val;
         return sum(n.left, s*10 + n.val) + sum(n.right, s*10 + n.val);
}
130, Surrounded Regions:
Python_solution:
9 lines, Python 148 ms
def solve(self, board):
  if not any(board): return
  m, n = len(board), len(board[0])
  save = [ij for k in range(m+n) for ij in ((0, k), (m-1, k), (k, 0), (k, n-1))]
  while save:
    i, j = save.pop()
    if 0 \le i \le m and 0 \le j \le n and board[i][j] == '0':
      board[i][j] = 'S'
      save += (i, j-1), (i, j+1), (i-1, j), (i+1, j)
 board[:] = [['XO'[c == 'S'] \text{ for } c \text{ in row}] \text{ for row in board}]
Best_solution:
A really simple and readable C++ solution, only cost 12ms
    X X X X
                  XXXX
                                XXXX
                  XXOX \rightarrow
    XXOX \rightarrow
                                  XXXX
    X O X X
                  X1XX
                                X O X X
    X O X X
                  X1XX
                                X O X X
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class Solution {
public:
         void solve(vector<vector<char>>& board) {
   int i,j;
   int row=board.size();
   if(!row)
         return;
   int col=board[0].size();
                   for(i=0;i< row;i++){}
                             check(board,i,0,row,col);
                             if(col>1)
                                       check(board,i,col-1,row,col);
                   for(j=1;j+1< col;j++)\{
                             check(board,0,j,row,col);
                             if(row>1)
                                       check(board,row-1,j,row,col);
                   }
                   for(i=0;i<row;i++)
                             for(j=0;j<col;j++)
                                       if(board[i][j]=='0')
                                                board[i][j]='X';
                   for(i=0;i<row;i++)
                             for(j=0;j<col;j++)
                                       if(board[i][j]=='1')
                                                board[i][j]='0';
 }
         void check(vector<vector<char> >&vec,int i,int j,int row,int col){
                   if(vec[i][j]=='O'){}
                             vec[i][j]='1';
                             if(i>1)
                                       check(vec,i-1,j,row,col);
                             if(j>1)
                                       check(vec,i,j-1,row,col);
                             if(i+1 < row)
                                       check(vec,i+1,j,row,col);
                             if(j+1 < col)
                                       check(vec,i,j+1,row,col);
                   }
         }
};
131,Palindrome Partitioning:
Python_solution:
1-liner Python, Ruby
def partition(self, s):
  return [[s[:i]] + rest
      for i in xrange(1, len(s)+1)
      if s[:i] == s[i-1::-1]
      for rest in self.partition(s[i:])] or [[]]
```

Best_solution:

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Java: Backtracking solution.
public class Solution {
    List<List<String>> resultLst;
           ArrayList<String> currLst;
           public List<List<String>> partition(String s) {
             resultLst = new ArrayList<List<String>>();
             currLst = new ArrayList<String>();
             backTrack(s,0);
             return resultLst;
           public void backTrack(String s, int l){
             if(currLst.size()>0 //the initial str could be palindrome
                && l>=s.length()){
                  List<String> r = (ArrayList<String>) currLst.clone();
                  resultLst.add(r);
             for(int i=l;i<s.length();i++){
                if(isPalindrome(s,l,i)){
                  if(l==i)
                    currLst.add(Character.toString(s.charAt(i)));
                  else
                    currLst.add(s.substring(l,i+1));
                  backTrack(s,i+1);
                  currLst.remove(currLst.size()-1);
             }
           public boolean isPalindrome(String str, int l, int r){
             if(l==r) return true;
             while(l<r){
               if(str.charAt(l)!=str.charAt(r)) return false;
               l++;r--;
             }
             return true;
           }
}
132, Palindrome Partitioning II:
Python_solution:
56 ms python with explanation
def minCut(self, s):
  # acceleration
  if s == s[::-1]: return 0
  for i in range(1, len(s)):
    if s[:i] == s[:i][::-1] and s[i:] == s[i:][::-1]:
      return 1
  # algorithm
  cut = [x for x in range(-1,len(s))] # cut numbers in worst case (no palindrome)
  for i in range(len(s)):
    r1, r2 = 0, 0
    # use i as origin, and gradually enlarge radius if a palindrome exists
    # odd palindrome
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while i-r1 \ge 0 and i+r1 < len(s) and s[i-r1] == s[i+r1]:
      cut[i+r1+1] = min(cut[i+r1+1], cut[i-r1]+1)
      r1 += 1
    # even palindrome
   while i-r2 >= 0 and i+r2+1 < len(s) and s[i-r2] == s[i+r2+1]:
      cut[i+r2+2] = min(cut[i+r2+2], cut[i-r2]+1)
      r2 += 1
  return cut[-1]
Best_solution:
My solution does not need a table for palindrome, is it right? It uses only O(n) space.
class Solution {
public:
  int minCut(string s) {
   int n = s.size();
   vector<int> cut(n+1, 0); // number of cuts for the first k characters
   for (int i = 0; i \le n; i++) cut[i] = i-1;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
      for (int j = 0; i-j >= 0 && i+j < n && s[i-j]==s[i+j]; j++) // odd length palindrome
        cut[i+j+1] = min(cut[i+j+1],1+cut[i-j]);
     for (int j = 1; i-j+1 >= 0 && i+j < n && s[i-j+1] == s[i+j]; j++) // even length palindrome
        cut[i+j+1] = min(cut[i+j+1],1+cut[i-j+1]);
   }
   return cut[n];
 }
};
133,Clone Graph:
Python_solution:
Python DFS short solution
def cloneGraph(self, node):
  if not node:
    return node
  root = UndirectedGraphNode(node.label)
  stack = [node]
  visit = {}
  visit[node.label] = root
  while stack:
   top = stack.pop()
   for n in top.neighbors:
     if n.label not in visit:
        stack.append(n)
        visit[n.label] = UndirectedGraphNode(n.label)
      visit[top.label].neighbors.append(visit[n.label])
  return root
Best_solution:
Depth First Simple Java Solution
public class Solution {
  private HashMap<Integer, UndirectedGraphNode> map = new HashMap<>();
  public\ Undirected\ Graph\ Node\ clone\ Graph\ (Undirected\ Graph\ Node\ node)\ \{
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return clone(node);
  private UndirectedGraphNode clone(UndirectedGraphNode node) {
   if (node == null) return null;
   if (map.containsKey(node.label)) {
      return map.get(node.label);
   UndirectedGraphNode clone = new UndirectedGraphNode(node.label);
    map.put(clone.label, clone);
   for (UndirectedGraphNode neighbor: node.neighbors) {
      clone.neighbors.add(clone(neighbor));
   }
   return clone;
 }
}
134,Gas Station:
Python_solution:
Possibly the MOST easiest approach, O(N), one variable, Python
def canCompleteCircuit(self, gas, cost):
 :type gas: List[int]
 :type cost: List[int]
 :rtype: int
  iflen(gas) == 0 orlen(cost) == 0 orsum(gas) < sum(cost):
   return -1
  position = 0
  balance = 0 # current tank balance
  for i in range(len(gas)):
   balance += gas[i] - cost[i] # update balance
   if balance < 0: # balance drops to negative, reset the start position
     balance = 0
      position = i+1
  return position
Best_solution:
Share some of my ideas.
class Solution {
public:
  int canCompleteCircuit(vector<int> &gas, vector<int> &cost) {
   int start(0),total(0),tank(0);
   //if car fails at 'start', record the next station
   for(int i=0;i < gas.size();i++) if((tank=tank+gas[i]-cost[i]) < 0)  {start=i+1;total+=tank;tank=0;}
    return (total+tank<0)? -1:start;
 }
};
135,Candy:
Best_solution:
A simple solution
int candy (vector<int> &ratings)
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int size=ratings.size();
         if(size <= 1)
                   return size;
         vector<int> num(size,1);
         for (int i = 1; i < size; i++)
         {
                   if(ratings[i]>ratings[i-1])
                            num[i]=num[i-1]+1;
         for (int i= size-1; i>0; i--)
                   if(ratings[i-1]>ratings[i])
                            num[i-1]=max(num[i]+1,num[i-1]);
         }
         int result=0;
         for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)
         {
                   result+=num[i];
                  // cout<<num[i]<<" ";
         return result;
}
136,Single Number:
Python_solution:
Python different solutions.
def singleNumber1(self, nums):
  dic = {}
  for num in nums:
    dic[num] = dic.get(num, 0)+1
  for key, val in dic.items():
   if val == 1:
      return key
def singleNumber2(self, nums):
  res = 0
  for num in nums:
   res ^= num
  return res
def singleNumber3(self, nums):
  return 2*sum(set(nums))-sum(nums)
def singleNumber4(self, nums):
  return reduce(lambda x, y: x ^ y, nums)
def singleNumber(self, nums):
  return reduce(operator.xor, nums)
Best_solution:
My O(n) solution using XOR
int singleNumber(int A[], int n) {
  int result = 0;
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{

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
                  result ^=A[i];
 }
         return result;
}
137,Single Number II:
Python_solution:
Python bitwise solution
class Solution:
# @param A, a list of integer
# @return an integer
def singleNumber(self, A):
  ans = 0
  for i in xrange(0,32):
    count = 0
    for a in A:
     if ((a >> i) & 1):
        count+=1
   ans |= ((count%3) << i)
  return self.convert(ans)
def convert(self,x):
 if x \ge 2**31:
   x = 2**32
  return x
Best_solution:
Challenge me , thx
public int singleNumber(int[] A) {
  int ones = 0, twos = 0;
  for(int i = 0; i < A.length; i++){
   ones = (ones ^ A[i]) & ~twos;
   twos = (twos ^ A[i]) & ~ones;
 }
 return ones;
}
138,Copy List with Random Pointer:
Python_solution:
Clear and short python O(2n) and O(n) solution
class Solution:
# @param head, a RandomListNode
# @return a RandomListNode
def copyRandomList(self, head):
  dic = dict()
  m = n = head
 while m:
   dic[m] = RandomListNode(m.label)
    m = m.next
  while n:
    dic[n].next = dic.get(n.next)
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dic[n].random = dic.get(n.random)
   n = n.next
  return dic.get(head)
Best_solution:
A solution with constant space complexity O(1) and linear time complexity O(N)
O(N)
139.Word Break:
Python_solution:
Simple DP solution in Python with description
def word_break(s, words):
         d = [False] * len(s)
         for i in range(len(s)):
                   for w in words:
                             if w == s[i-len(w)+1:i+1] and (d[i-len(w)] \text{ or } i-len(w) == -1):
                                      d[i] = True
         return d[-1]
Best_solution:
Java implementation using DP in two ways
public class Solution {
  public boolean wordBreak(String s, Set<String> dict) {
   boolean[] f = new boolean[s.length() + 1];
   f[0] = true;
    /* First DP
   for(int i = 1; i <= s.length(); i++){
      for(String str: dict){
        if(str.length() <= i){
          if(f[i - str.length()]){}
            if(s.substring(i-str.length(), i).equals(str)){}
               f[i] = true;
              break;
            }
          }
        }
   }*/
    //Second DP
   for(int i=1; i <= s.length(); i++){
      for(int j=0; j < i; j++){
        if(f[j] && dict.contains(s.substring(j, i))){
          f[i] = true;
          break;
        }
     }
    return f[s.length()];
```

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140,Word Break II:
Python_solution:
9 lines Python, 10 lines C++
def wordBreak(self, s, wordDict):
     memo = {len(s): ["]}
     def sentences(i):
          if i not in memo:
                memo[i] = [s[i:j] + (tail and ' ' + tail)
                               for j in range(i+1, len(s)+1)
                               if s[i:j] in wordDict
                              for tail in sentences(j)]
           return memo[i]
     return sentences(0)
Best_solution:
My concise JAVA solution based on memorized DFS
public List<String> wordBreak(String s, Set<String> wordDict) {
     return DFS(s, wordDict, new HashMap<String, LinkedList<String>>());
}
// DFS function returns an array including all substrings derived from s.
List < String > DFS (String s, Set < String > wordDict, HashMap < String, LinkedList < String > map) \\ \{ (Contact of the contact of the con
     if (map.containsKey(s))
           return map.get(s);
     LinkedList<String>res = new LinkedList<String>();
     if (s.length() == 0) {
           res.add("");
          return res;
     for (String word : wordDict) {
         if (s.startsWith(word)) {
               List<String>sublist = DFS(s.substring(word.length()), wordDict, map);
               for (String sub : sublist)
                     res.add(word + (sub.isEmpty()?"": "") + sub);
         }
     map.put(s, res);
     return res;
}
141,Linked List Cycle:
Python_solution:
Except-ionally fast Python
def hasCycle(self, head):
    try:
         slow = head
          fast = head.next
         while slow is not fast:
                slow = slow.next
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fast = fast.next.next
    return True
  except:
    return False
Best_solution:
O(1) Space Solution
public boolean hasCycle(ListNode head) {
  if(head==null) return false;
  ListNode walker = head:
  ListNode runner = head;
  while(runner.next!=null && runner.next.next!=null) {
   walker = walker.next;
    runner = runner.next.next;
   if(walker==runner) return true;
 }
  return false;
}
142,Linked List Cycle II:
Python_solution:
Share my python solution with detailed explanation
   Consider the following linked list, where E is the cylce entry and X, the crossing point of fast and slow.
    H: distance from head to cycle entry E
   D: distance from E to X
   L: cycle length
   If fast and slow both start at head, when fast catches slow, slow has traveled H+D and fast 2(H+D).
   Assume fast has traveled n loops in the cycle, we have:
   2H + 2D = H + D + L --> H + D = nL --> H = nL - D
   Thus if two pointers start from head and X, respectively, one first reaches E, the other also reaches E.
   In my solution, since fast starts at head.next, we need to move slow one step forward in the beginning of
part 2
class Solution:
  # @param head, a ListNode
  #@return a list node
  def detectCycle(self, head):
   try:
      fast = head.next
      slow = head
     while fast is not slow:
        fast = fast.next.next
        slow = slow.next
   except:
      # if there is an exception, we reach the end and there is no cycle
      return None
```

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# since fast starts at head.next, we need to move slow one step forward
   slow = slow.next
    while head is not slow:
     head = head.next
     slow = slow.next
    return head
Best_solution:
O(n) solution by using two pointers without change anything
  ListNode *detectCycle(ListNode *head) {
  if (head == NULL || head->next == NULL) return NULL;
  ListNode* firstp = head;
  ListNode* secondp = head;
  bool isCycle = false;
  while(firstp != NULL && secondp != NULL) {
   firstp = firstp->next;
   if (secondp->next == NULL) return NULL;
   secondp = secondp->next->next;
   if (firstp == secondp) { isCycle = true; break; }
  }
  if(!isCycle) return NULL;
  firstp = head;
  while( firstp != secondp) {
   firstp = firstp->next;
   secondp = secondp->next;
  return firstp;
}
143,Reorder List:
Python_solution:
A python solution O(n) time, O(1) space
# Splits in place a list in two halves, the first half is >= in size than the second.
# @return A tuple containing the heads of the two halves
def_splitList(head):
  fast = head
  slow = head
  while fast and fast.next:
   slow = slow.next
   fast = fast.next
   fast = fast.next
  middle = slow.next
  slow.next = None
  return head, middle
```

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# Reverses in place a list.
# @return Returns the head of the new reversed list
def_reverseList(head):
last = None
currentNode = head
while currentNode:
 nextNode = currentNode.next
 currentNode.next = last
 last = currentNode
 currentNode = nextNode
return last
# Merges in place two lists
\# @return The newly merged list.
def_mergeLists(a, b):
 tail = a
 head = a
 a = a.next
 while b:
   tail.next = b
   tail = tail.next
   b = b.next
   if a:
     a, b = b, a
 return head
class Solution:
 #@param head, a ListNode
 #@return nothing
 def reorderList(self, head):
   if not head or not head.next:
     return
   a, b = _splitList(head)
   b = _reverseList(b)
   head = _mergeLists(a, b)
Best_solution:
Java solution with 3 steps
public void reorderList(ListNode head) {
     if(head==null||head.next==null) return;
     //Find the middle of the list
     ListNode p1=head;
     ListNode p2=head;
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while(p2.next!=null&&p2.next.next!=null){
       p1=p1.next;
       p2=p2.next.next;
     }
     //Reverse the half after middle 1->2->3->4->5->6 to 1->2->3->6->5->4
     ListNode preMiddle=p1;
     ListNode preCurrent=p1.next;
     while(preCurrent.next!=null){
       ListNode current=preCurrent.next;
       preCurrent.next=current.next;
       current.next=preMiddle.next;
       preMiddle.next=current;
     //Start reorder one by one 1->2->3->6->5->4 to 1->6->2->5->3->4
     p1=head;
     p2=preMiddle.next;
     while(p1!=preMiddle){
       preMiddle.next=p2.next;
       p2.next=p1.next;
       p1.next=p2;
       p1=p2.next;
       p2=preMiddle.next;
     }
   }
144,Binary Tree Preorder Traversal:
Python_solution:
Very simple iterative Python solution
def preorderTraversal(self, root):
 ret = ∏
 stack = [root]
 while stack:
   node = stack.pop()
   if node:
      ret.append(node.val)
     stack.append(node.right)
     stack.append(node.left)
 return ret
Best_solution:
Accepted iterative solution in Java using stack.
public List<Integer> preorderTraversal(TreeNode node) {
        List<Integer> list = new LinkedList<Integer>();
         Stack<TreeNode> rights = new Stack<TreeNode>();
         while(node!= null) {
                  list.add(node.val);
                  if (node.right != null) {
                           rights.push(node.right);
                  node = node.left;
                  if (node == null && !rights.isEmpty()) {
                           node = rights.pop();
```

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}
  return list;
}
145,Binary Tree Postorder Traversal:
Python_solution:
Share my two Python iterative solutions, post-order and modified preorder then reverse
class Solution:
  # @param {TreeNode} root
  # @return {integer[]}
  def postorderTraversal(self, root):
    traversal, stack = [], [(root, False)]
   while stack:
     node, visited = stack.pop()
     if node:
        if visited:
          # add to result if visited
          traversal.append(node.val)
        else:
          # post-order
          stack.append((node, True))
          stack.append((node.right, False))
          stack.append((node.left, False))
    return traversal
Best_solution:
Preorder, Inorder, and Postorder Iteratively Summarization
public List<Integer> preorderTraversal(TreeNode root) {
  List<Integer> result = new ArrayList<>();
  Deque<TreeNode> stack = new ArrayDeque<>();
  TreeNode p = root;
  while(!stack.isEmpty() || p != null) {
   if(p != null) {
      stack.push(p);
      result.add(p.val); // Add before going to children
     p = p.left;
   } else {
     TreeNode node = stack.pop();
      p = node.right;
   }
 }
  return result;
}
146,LRU Cache:
Python_solution:
Python Dict + Double LinkedList
class Node:
def __init__(self, k, v):
  self.key = k
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self.val = v
  self.prev = None
  self.next = None
class LRUCache:
def __init__(self, capacity):
 self.capacity = capacity
 self.dic = dict()
 self.head = Node(0, 0)
 self.tail = Node(0, 0)
  self.head.next = self.tail
  self.tail.prev = self.head
def get(self, key):
  if key in self.dic:
   n = self.dic[key]
   self._remove(n)
   self._add(n)
    return n.val
  return -1
def set(self, key, value):
  if key in self.dic:
   self._remove(self.dic[key])
  n = Node(key, value)
  self._add(n)
  self.dic[key] = n
  if len(self.dic) > self.capacity:
   n = self.head.next
   self._remove(n)
   del self.dic[n.key]
def_remove(self, node):
  p = node.prev
  n = node.next
 p.next = n
 n.prev = p
def_add(self, node):
  p = self.tail.prev
  p.next = node
  self.tail.prev = node
  node.prev = p
  node.next = self.tail
Best_solution:
[Java] Hashtable + Double linked list (with a touch of pseudo nodes)
class DLinkedNode {
         int key;
         int value;
         DLinkedNode pre;
         DLinkedNode post;
}
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* Always add the new node right after head;
private void addNode(DLinkedNode node){
         node.pre = head;
        node.post = head.post;
        head.post.pre = node;
        head.post = node;
}
* Remove an existing node from the linked list.
*/
private void removeNode(DLinkedNode node){
         DLinkedNode pre = node.pre;
         DLinkedNode post = node.post;
        pre.post = post;
        post.pre = pre;
}
* Move certain node in between to the head.
private void moveToHead(DLinkedNode node){
        this.removeNode(node);
         this.addNode(node);
}
// pop the current tail.
private DLinkedNode popTail(){
         DLinkedNode res = tail.pre;
         this.removeNode(res);
        return res;
}
private Hashtable<Integer, DLinkedNode>
        cache = new Hashtable<Integer, DLinkedNode>();
private int count;
private int capacity;
private DLinkedNode head, tail;
public LRUCache(int capacity) {
         this.count = 0;
        this.capacity = capacity;
        head = new DLinkedNode();
        head.pre = null;
         tail = new DLinkedNode();
         tail.post = null;
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head.post = tail;
         tail.pre = head;
}
public int get(int key) {
         DLinkedNode node = cache.get(key);
         if(node == null){
                  return -1; // should raise exception here.
         }
         // move the accessed node to the head;
         this.moveToHead(node);
         return node.value;
}
public void set(int key, int value) {
         DLinkedNode node = cache.get(key);
         if(node == null){
                  DLinkedNode newNode = new DLinkedNode();
                  newNode.key = key;
                  newNode.value = value;
                  this.cache.put(key, newNode);
                  this.addNode(newNode);
                  ++count;
                  if(count > capacity){
                           // pop the tail
                           DLinkedNode tail = this.popTail();
                           this.cache.remove(tail.key);
                           --count;
                  }
         }else{
                  // update the value.
                  node.value = value;
                  this.moveToHead(node);
         }
}
147,Insertion Sort List:
Python_solution:
Python time limit is too tight
class Solution:
# @param head, a ListNode
#@return a ListNode
def insertionSortList(self, head):
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srt = None
  while head:
   node = head
    head = head.next
   node.next = None
   srt = self.insertTo(srt, node)
  return srt
def insertTo(self, head, node):
  node.next = head
  head = node
  while node.next and node.val > node.next.val:
    node.val, node.next.val = node.next.val, node.val
    node = node.next
  return head
Best_solution:
An easy and clear way to sort (0(1) \text{ space})
public ListNode insertionSortList(ListNode head) {
                  if( head == null ){
                            return head;
                  ListNode helper = new ListNode(0); //new starter of the sorted list
                  ListNode cur = head; //the node will be inserted
                  ListNode pre = helper; //insert node between pre and pre.next
                  ListNode next = null; //the next node will be inserted
                  //not the end of input list
                  while( cur != null ){
                            next = cur.next;
                            //find the right place to insert
                            while(pre.next!= null && pre.next.val < cur.val){
                                     pre = pre.next;
                            }
                            //insert between pre and pre.next
                            cur.next = pre.next;
                            pre.next = cur;
                            pre = helper;
                            cur = next;
                  }
                  return helper.next;
         }
148,Sort List:
Python_solution:
Clean python code
class Solution(object):
  def merge(self, h1, h2):
    dummy = tail = ListNode(None)
   while h1 and h2:
     if h1.val < h2.val:
        tail.next, tail, h1 = h1, h1, h1.next
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else:
        tail.next, tail, h2 = h2, h2, h2.next
    tail.next = h1 or h2
    return dummy.next
  def sortList(self, head):
   if not head or not head.next:
      return head
    pre, slow, fast = None, head, head
   while fast and fast.next:
      pre, slow, fast = slow, slow.next, fast.next.next
    pre.next = None
    return self.merge(*map(self.sortList, (head, slow)))
Best_solution:
Java merge sort solution
public class Solution {
 public ListNode sortList(ListNode head) {
  if (head == null || head.next == null)
  return head;
  // step 1. cut the list to two halves
  ListNode prev = null, slow = head, fast = head;
  while (fast != null && fast.next != null) {
   prev = slow;
  slow = slow.next;
   fast = fast.next.next;
  prev.next = null;
  // step 2. sort each half
  ListNode l1 = sortList(head);
  ListNode l2 = sortList(slow);
  // step 3. merge l1 and l2
  return merge(l1, l2);
 ListNode merge(ListNode l1, ListNode l2) {
 ListNode l = new ListNode(0), p = l;
  while (l1 != null && l2 != null) {
   if (l1.val < l2.val) {
   p.next = l1;
   l1 = l1.next;
   } else {
   p.next = 12;
   12 = 12.next;
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}
  p = p.next;
  if (l1!= null)
  p.next = l1;
  if (12 != null)
   p.next = 12;
  return l.next;
 }
}
149,Max Points on a Line:
Python_solution:
Python 68 ms code
  def maxPoints(self, points):
   l = len(points)
   m = 0
   for i in range(l):
      dic = \{'i': 1\}
      same = 0
     for j in range(i+1, l):
        tx, ty = points[j].x, points[j].y
        if tx == points[i].x and ty == points[i].y:
          same += 1
          continue
        if points[i].x == tx: slope = 'i'
        else:slope = (points[i].y-ty) * 1.0 /(points[i].x-tx)
        if slope not in dic: dic[slope] = 1
        dic[slope] += 1
      m = max(m, max(dic.values()) + same)
  return m
Best_solution:
A java solution with notes
  * A line is determined by two factors,say y=ax+b
  * If two points(x1,y1) (x2,y2) are on the same line(Of course).
  * Consider the gap between two points.
  * We have (y2-y1)=a(x2-x1), a=(y2-y1)/(x2-x1) a is a rational, b is canceled since b is a constant
  * If a third point (x3,y3) are on the same line. So we must have y3=ax3+b
  * Thus,(y3-y1)/(x3-x1)=(y2-y1)/(x2-x1)=a
  * Since a is a rational, there exists y0 and x0, y0/x0=(y3-y1)/(x3-x1)=(y2-y1)/(x2-x1)=a
  * So we can use y0&x0 to track a line;
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*/
public class Solution{
 public int maxPoints(Point[] points) {
       if (points==null) return 0;
       if (points.length<=2) return points.length;
       Map<Integer,Map<Integer,Integer>> map = new HashMap<Integer,Map<Integer,Integer>>();
       int result=0;
       for (int i=0;i<points.length;i++){
                map.clear();
                int overlap=0,max=0;
                for (int j=i+1;j<points.length;j++){
                         int x=points[j].x-points[i].x;
                         int y=points[j].y-points[i].y;
                         if (x==0\&\&y==0){
                                  overlap++;
                                  continue;
                         }
                         int gcd=generateGCD(x,y);
                         if(gcd!=0){
                                  x/=gcd;
                                  y/=gcd;
                         }
                         if (map.containsKey(x)){
                                  if (map.get(x).containsKey(y)){
                                            map.get(x).put(y, map.get(x).get(y)+1);
                                  }else{
                                            map.get(x).put(y, 1);
                         }else{
                                   Map<Integer,Integer> m = new HashMap<Integer,Integer>();
                                   m.put(y, 1);
                                  map.put(x, m);
                         }
                         max=Math.max(max, map.get(x).get(y));
                result=Math.max(result, max+overlap+1);
       return result;
 }
 private int generateGCD(int a,int b){
       if (b==0) return a;
       else return generateGCD(b,a%b);
```

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Python_solution:
Python solution with comments (don't use eval() function).
def evalRPN(self, tokens):
  stack = []
  for t in tokens:
    ift not in ["+", "-", "*", "/"]:
      stack.append(int(t))
      r, l = stack.pop(), stack.pop()
      if t == "+":
        stack.append(l+r)
      elif t == "-":
        stack.append(l-r)
      elif t == "*":
        stack.append(l*r)
      else:
        # here take care of the case like "1/-22",
        # in Python 2.x, it returns -1, while in
        # Leetcode it should return 0
        if l*r < 0 and l \% r != 0:
          stack.append(l/r+1)
          stack.append(l/r)
  return stack.pop()
Best_solution:
6/(-132) = 0 \text{ or } -1
if a % b != 0 and a / b < 0: temp = a / b + 1 else: temp = a / b
151, Reverse Words in a String:
Python_solution:
My Accept Answer of Python with one line
class Solution:
# @param s, a string
# @return a string
def reverseWords(self, s):
  return " ".join(s.strip().split()[::-1])
Best_solution:
In place simple solution
void reverseWords(string &s) {
  reverse(s.begin(), s.end());
  int storeIndex = 0;
  for (int i = 0; i < s.size(); i++) {
    if (s[i]!='') {
      if (storeIndex!= 0) s[storeIndex++] = ' ';
      int j = i;
      while (j < s.size() \&\& s[j] != ' ') \{ s[storeIndex++] = s[j++]; \}
      reverse(s.begin() + storeIndex - (j - i), s.begin() + storeIndex);
      i = j;
    }
 s.erase(s.begin() + storeIndex, s.end());
```

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152, Maximum Product Subarray:
Python_solution:
In Python, can it be more concise?
def maxProduct(nums):
 maximum=big=small=nums[0]
 for n in nums[1:]:
   big, small=max(n, n*big, n*small), min(n, n*big, n*small)
   maximum=max(maximum, big)
 return maximum
Best_solution:
Possibly simplest solution with O(n) time complexity
int maxProduct(int A[], int n) {
 // store the result that is the max we have found so far
 int r = A[0];
 // imax/imin stores the max/min product of
 // subarray that ends with the current number A[i]
 for (int i = 1, imax = r, imin = r; i < n; i++) {
   // multiplied by a negative makes big number smaller, small number bigger
   // so we redefine the extremums by swapping them
   if (A[i] < 0)
     swap(imax, imin);
   // max/min product for the current number is either the current number itself
   // or the max/min by the previous number times the current one
   imax = max(A[i], imax * A[i]);
   imin = min(A[i], imin * A[i]);
   // the newly computed max value is a candidate for our global result
   r = max(r, imax);
 }
 return r;
}
153, Find Minimum in Rotated Sorted Array:
Python_solution:
9-line python clean code
class Solution(object):
 def findMin(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: int
   i = 0
   j = len(nums) - 1
   while i < j:
     m = i + (j - i) / 2
     if nums[m] > nums[j]:
       i = m + 1
     else:
       j = m
    return nums[i]
```

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Best_solution:
Compact and clean C++ solution
int findMin(vector<int> &num) {
   int start=0,end=num.size()-1;
   while (start<end) {
     if (num[start]<num[end])</pre>
        return num[start];
     int mid = (start+end)/2;
     if (num[mid]>=num[start]) {
       start = mid+1;
     } else {
       end = mid;
   }
   return num[start];
 }
154, Find Minimum in Rotated Sorted Array II:
Python_solution:
Python solution. Worst case O(N)
def findMin(self, nums):
 beg = 0
 end = len(nums)-1
 while beg <= end:
   while beg < end and nums[beg] == nums[beg + 1]:
     beg += 1
   while end > beg and nums[end] == nums[end - 1]:
     end -= 1
   if beg == end:
     return nums[beg]
   mid = (beg+end)/2
   if nums[mid] > nums[end]:
     beg = mid + 1
   else:
     end = mid
 return nums[beg]
Best_solution:
My pretty simple code to solve it
class Solution {
public:
 int findMin(vector<int> &num) {
   int lo = 0;
   int hi = num.size() - 1;
   int mid = 0;
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while(lo < hi) {
     mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
     if(num[mid] > num[hi]) {
       lo = mid + 1;
      else if (num[mid] < num[hi]) {
     else { // when num[mid] and num[hi] are same
       hi--;
   }
   return num[lo];
 }
};
155,Min Stack:
Python_solution:
My Python solution
class MinStack:
def __init__(self):
 self.q = []
# @param x, an integer
#@return an integer
def push(self, x):
  curMin = self.getMin()
  if curMin == None or x < curMin:
    curMin = x
 self.q.append((x, curMin));
# @return nothing
def pop(self):
 self.q.pop()
#@return an integer
def top(self):
  iflen(self.q) == 0:
    return None
  else:
    return self.q[len(self.q) - 1][0]
#@return an integer
def getMin(self):
  iflen(self.q) == 0:
    return None
  else:
    return\ self.q[len(self.q)-1][1]
```

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Best_solution:
Share my Java solution with ONLY ONE stack
public class MinStack {
 long min;
 Stack<Long> stack;
 public MinStack(){
   stack=new Stack<>();
 }
 public void push(int x) {
   if (stack.isEmpty()){
     stack.push(0L);
     min=x;
   }else{
     stack.push(x-min);//Could be negative if min value needs to change
     if (x<min) min=x;
   }
 }
 public void pop() {
   if (stack.isEmpty()) return;
   long pop=stack.pop();
   if (pop<0) min=min-pop;//If negative, increase the min value
 }
 public int top() {
   long top=stack.peek();
   if (top>0){
     return (int)(top+min);
   }else{
     return (int)(min);
   }
 }
 public int getMin() {
   return (int)min;
 }
}
160,Intersection of Two Linked Lists:
Python_solution:
Concise python code with comments
class Solution:
 #@param two ListNodes
 # @return the intersected ListNode
 def getIntersectionNode(self, headA, headB):
   if headA is None or headB is None:
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return None

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pa = headA # 2 pointers
    pb = headB
    while pa is not pb:
      # if either pointer hits the end, switch head and continue the second traversal,
      # if not hit the end, just move on to next
      pa = headB if pa is None else pa.next
      pb = headA if pb is None else pb.next
    return pa # only 2 ways to get out of the loop, they meet or the both hit the end=None
# the idea is if you switch head, the possible difference between length would be countered.
# On the second traversal, they either hit or miss.
# if they meet, pa or pb would be the node we are looking for,
# if they didn't meet, they will hit the end at the same iteration, pa == pb == None, return either one of them is
the same, None
Best_solution:
Java solution without knowing the difference in len!
public ListNode getIntersectionNode(ListNode headA, ListNode headB) {
  //boundary check
  if(headA == null || headB == null) return null;
  ListNode a = headA;
  ListNode b = headB;
  //if a & b have different len, then we will stop the loop after second iteration
         //for the end of first iteration, we just reset the pointer to the head of another linkedlist
   a = a == null? headB : a.next;
   b = b == null? headA: b.next;
  return a:
}
162, Find Peak Element:
Python solution:
My clean and readable python solution
Basic Idea: Binary search
Elaboration:
if an element(not the right-most one) is smaller than its right neighbor, then there must be a peak element on its
right, because the elements on its right is either
 1. always increasing -> the right-most element is the peak
 2. always decreasing -> the left-most element is the peak
 3. first increasing then decreasing -> the pivot point is the peak
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Therefore, we can find the peak only on its right elements (cut the array to half)

4. first decreasing then increasing -> the left-most element is the peak

The same idea applies to that an element (not the left-most one) is smaller than its left neighbor.

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1. array length is 1 -> return the only index
  2. array length is 2 -> return the bigger number's index
  3. array length is bigger than 2 ->
     (1) find mid, compare it with its left and right neighbors
     (2) return mid if nums[mid] greater than both neighbors
     (3) take the right half array if nums[mid] smaller than right neighbor
     (4) otherwise, take the left half
Run time: O(logn)
Memory: constant
Test cases:
  [1]
  [1,2]
  [2,1]
  [1,2,3]
  [3,2,1]
  [2,1,3]
def findPeakElement(self, nums):
  left = 0
  right = len(nums)-1
  # handle condition 3
  while left < right-1:
    mid = (left+right)/2
   if nums[mid] > nums[mid+1] and nums[mid] > nums[mid-1]:
      return mid
   if nums[mid] < nums[mid+1]:</pre>
     left = mid + 1
   else:
      right = mid-1
  #handle condition 1 and 2
  return left if nums[left] >= nums[right] else right
Best_solution:
Find the maximum by binary search (recursion and iteration)
class Solution {
public:
int findPeakElement(const vector<int> &num) {
  return Helper(num, 0, num.size()-1);
}
int Helper(const vector<int> &num, int low, int high)
  if(low == high)
    return low;
  else
```

int mid1 = (low+high)/2;

Conditions:

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int mid2 = mid1+1;
    if(num[mid1] > num[mid2])
      return Helper(num, low, mid1);
      return Helper(num, mid2, high);
}
};
164,Maximum Gap:
Python_solution:
Python bucket sort from official solution
class Solution:
# @param num, a list of integer
#@return an integer
def maximumGap(self, num):
  if len(num) < 2 or min(num) == max(num):
    return 0
  a, b = min(num), max(num)
  size = math.ceil((b-a)/(len(num)-1))
  bucket = [[None, None] for _ in range((b-a)//size+1)]
  for n in num:
   b = bucket[(n-a)//size]
   b[0] = n \text{ if } b[0] \text{ is None else } min(b[0], n)
   b[1] = n if b[1] is None else max(b[1], n)
  bucket = [b for b in bucket if b[0] is not None]
  return max(bucket[i][0]-bucket[i-1][1] for i in range(1, len(bucket)))
Best_solution:
[bucket sort] JAVA solution with explanation, O(N) time and space
public class Solution {
public int maximumGap(int[] num) {
  if (num == null || num.length < 2)
    return 0;
  // get the max and min value of the array
  int min = num[0];
  int max = num[0];
  for (int i:num) {
   min = Math.min(min, i);
   max = Math.max(max, i);
  // the minimum possibale gap, ceiling of the integer division
  int gap = (int)Math.ceil((double)(max - min)/(num.length - 1));
  int[] bucketsMIN = new int[num.length - 1]; // store the min value in that bucket
  int[] bucketsMAX = new int[num.length - 1]; // store the max value in that bucket
  Arrays.fill(bucketsMIN, Integer.MAX_VALUE);
  Arrays.fill(bucketsMAX, Integer.MIN_VALUE);
  // put numbers into buckets
  for (int i:num) {
   if (i == min || i == max)
   int idx = (i - min) / gap; // index of the right position in the buckets
```

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bucketsMIN[idx] = Math.min(i, bucketsMIN[idx]);
   bucketsMAX[idx] = Math.max(i, bucketsMAX[idx]);
  // scan the buckets for the max gap
  int maxGap = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
  int previous = min;
  for (int i = 0; i < num.length - 1; i++) {
    if (bucketsMIN[i] == Integer.MAX_VALUE && bucketsMAX[i] == Integer.MIN_VALUE)
      // empty bucket
      continue;
    // min value minus the previous value is the current gap
    maxGap = Math.max(maxGap, bucketsMIN[i] - previous);
   // update previous bucket value
   previous = bucketsMAX[i];
  maxGap = Math.max(maxGap, max - previous); // updata the final max value gap
  return maxGap;
}
165,Compare Version Numbers:
Python_solution:
2-4 lines Python, 3 different ways
izip_longest
Best_solution:
Accepted small Java solution.
public int compareVersion(String version1, String version2) {
  String[] levels1 = version1.split("\\.");
  String[] levels2 = version2.split("\\.");
  int length = Math.max(levels1.length, levels2.length);
  for (int i=0; i < length; i++) {
         Integer v1 = i < levels1.length ? Integer.parseInt(levels1[i]) : 0;</pre>
         Integer v2 = i < levels2.length ? Integer.parseInt(levels2[i]) : 0;</pre>
         int compare = v1.compareTo(v2);
         if (compare != 0) {
                  return compare;
         }
  }
  return 0;
}
166,Fraction to Recurring Decimal:
Python_solution:
Do not use python as cpp, here's a short version python code
class Solution:
# @return a string
def fractionToDecimal(self, numerator, denominator):
  n, remainder = divmod(abs(numerator), abs(denominator))
  sign = '-' if numerator*denominator < 0 else "
  result = [sign+str(n), '.']
 stack = []
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while remainder not in stack:
   stack.append(remainder)
   n, remainder = divmod(remainder*10, abs(denominator))
   result.append(str(n))
 idx = stack.index(remainder)
 result.insert(idx+2, '(')
 result.append(')')
 return ".join(result).replace('(0)', ").rstrip('.')
Best_solution:
My clean Java solution
public class Solution {
 public String fractionToDecimal(int numerator, int denominator) {
   if (numerator == 0) {
     return "0";
   }
   StringBuilder res = new StringBuilder();
   //"+" or "-"
   res.append(((numerator > 0) ^ (denominator > 0)) ? "-" : "");
   long num = Math.abs((long)numerator);
   long den = Math.abs((long)denominator);
   // integral part
   res.append(num / den);
   num %= den;
   if (num == 0) {
     return res.toString();
   // fractional part
   res.append(".");
   HashMap<Long, Integer> map = new HashMap<Long, Integer>();
   map.put(num, res.length());
   while (num!=0) {
     num *= 10;
     res.append(num / den);
     num %= den;
     if (map.containsKey(num)) {
        int index = map.get(num);
        res.insert(index, "(");
        res.append(")");
       break;
       map.put(num, res.length());
     }
   return res.toString();
```

167,Two Sum II - Input array is sorted:

```
Python_solution:
Python different solutions (two-pointer, dictionary, binary search).
# two-pointer
def twoSum1(self, numbers, target):
 l, r = 0, len(numbers)-1
 while l < r:
   s = numbers[l] + numbers[r]
   if s == target:
     return [l+1, r+1]
   elif s < target:
     1 += 1
   else:
# dictionary
def twoSum2(self, numbers, target):
  dic = \{\}
  for i, num in enumerate(numbers):
   if target-num in dic:
     return [dic[target-num]+1, i+1]
   dic[num] = i
# binary search
def twoSum(self, numbers, target):
  for i in xrange(len(numbers)):
   l, r = i+1, len(numbers)-1
   tmp = target - numbers[i]
   while l <= r:
     mid = l + (r-l)//2
     if numbers[mid] == tmp:
        return [i+1, mid+1]
      elif numbers[mid] < tmp:
        l = mid + 1
      else:
        r = mid-1
Best_solution:
Share my java AC solution.
public int[] twoSum(int[] num, int target) {
  int[] indice = new int[2];
  if (num == null || num.length < 2) return indice;
  int left = 0, right = num.length - 1;
  while (left < right) {
   int v = num[left] + num[right];
   if (v == target) {
     indice[0] = left + 1;
     indice[1] = right + 1;
     break;
   } else if (v > target) {
     right --;
   } else {
     left ++;
```

} }

```
return indice;
168,Excel Sheet Column Title:
Python_solution:
My 1 lines code in Java, C++, and Python
return n == 0? "": convertToTitle(--n / 26) + (char)('A' + (n % 26));
Best_solution:
My 1 lines code in Java, C++, and Python
return n == 0? "" : convertToTitle(--n / 26) + (char)('A' + (n % 26));
169, Majority Element:
Python_solution:
One line solution in Python
return sorted(num)[len(num)/2]
Best_solution:
O(n) time O(1) space fastest solution
public class Solution {
  public int majorityElement(int[] num) {
    int major=num[0], count = 1;
    for(int i=1; i<num.length;i++){</pre>
     if(count==0){
        count++;
        major=num[i];
      }else if(major==num[i]){
        count++;
      }else count--;
   }
   return major;
 }
}
171,Excel Sheet Column Number:
Python_solution:
One line python code using Map/Reduce
def titleToNumber(self, s):
  return reduce(lambda x,y:x*26+y,map(lambda x:ord(x)-ord('A')+1,s))
Best_solution:
My solutions in 3 languages, does any one have one line solution in Java or C++?
int result = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); result = result * 26 + (s.charAt(i) - 'A' + 1), i++);
return result;
172, Factorial Trailing Zeroes:
Python_solution:
O(log5_n) solution, python.
  def trailingZeroes(self, n):
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while n > 0:
     n = 5
     r += n
   return r
Best_solution:
My one-line solutions in 3 languages
 return n == 0 ? 0 : n / 5 + trailingZeroes(n / 5);
173,Binary Search Tree Iterator:
Python_solution:
Two Python solutions, stack and generator
def __init__(self, root):
 self.stack = []
 while root:
   self.stack.append(root)
   root = root.left
# @return a boolean, whether we have a next smallest number
def hasNext(self):
 return len(self.stack) > 0
# @return an integer, the next smallest number
def next(self):
 node = self.stack.pop()
 x = node.right
 while x:
   self.stack.append(x)
   x = x.left
 return node.val
Best_solution:
My solutions in 3 languages with Stack
public class BSTIterator {
 private Stack<TreeNode> stack = new Stack<TreeNode>();
 public BSTIterator(TreeNode root) {
   pushAll(root);
 }
 /** @return whether we have a next smallest number */
 public boolean hasNext() {
   return !stack.isEmpty();
 /** @return the next smallest number */
 public int next() {
   TreeNode tmpNode = stack.pop();
   pushAll(tmpNode.right);
   return tmpNode.val;
 }
 private void pushAll(TreeNode node) {
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for (; node != null; stack.push(node), node = node.left);
}
174,Dungeon Game:
Python_solution:
6 lines Python, 8 lines Ruby
def calculateMinimumHP(self, dungeon):
 n = len(dungeon[0])
 need = [2**31]*(n-1) + [1]
 for row in dungeon[::-1]:
   for j in range(n)[::-1]:
      need[j] = max(min(need[j:j+2]) - row[j], 1)
 return need[0]
Best_solution:
C++ DP solution
class Solution {
public:
 int calculateMinimumHP(vector<vector<int> > &dungeon) {
   int M = dungeon.size();
   int N = dungeon[0].size();
   // hp[i][j] represents the min hp needed at position (i, j)
   // Add dummy row and column at bottom and right side
   vector<vector<int> > hp(M + 1, vector<int>(N + 1, INT_MAX));
   hp[M][N-1] = 1;
   hp[M - 1][N] = 1;
   for (int i = M - 1; i \ge 0; i--) {
     for (int j = N - 1; j \ge 0; j--) {
        int need = min(hp[i+1][j], hp[i][j+1]) - dungeon[i][j];
       hp[i][j] = need <= 0?1 : need;
     }
   }
   return hp[0][0];
 }
};
175,Combine Two Tables:
Best_solution:
Its a simple question of Left Join. My solution attached
SELECT Person.FirstName, Person.LastName, Address.City, Address.State from Person LEFT JOIN Address on
Person.PersonId = Address.PersonId;
176, Second Highest Salary:
Best_solution:
Simple query which handles the NULL situation
guaranteed
177,Nth Highest Salary:
Best_solution:
Acceted Solution for the Nth Highest Salary
```

CREATE FUNCTION getNthHighestSalary(N INT) RETURNS INT

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DECLARE M INT;
SET M=N-1;
RETURN (
  # Write your MySQL query statement below.
  SELECT DISTINCT Salary FROM Employee ORDER BY Salary DESC LIMIT M, 1
);
END
178,Rank Scores:
Best_solution:
Simple, Short, Fast
SELECT
Score,
@rank := @rank + (@prev <> (@prev := Score)) Rank
FROM
Scores,
(SELECT @rank := 0, @prev := -1) init
ORDER BY Score desc
179,Largest Number:
Python_solution:
My 3-lines code in Java and Python
public class Solution {
 public String largestNumber(int[] num) {
   String[] array = Arrays.stream(num).mapToObj(String::valueOf).toArray(String[]::new);
   Arrays.sort(array, (String s1, String s2) \rightarrow (s2 + s1).compareTo(s1 + s2));
   return Arrays.stream(array).reduce((x, y) \rightarrow x.equals("0") ? y : x + y).get();
Best_solution:
My Java Solution to share
String s1 = "9";
String s2 = "31";
String case1 = s1 + s2; // 931
String case2 = s2 + s1; // 319
180,Consecutive Numbers:
Best_solution:
Simple solution
Select DISTINCT 11.Num from Logs 11, Logs 12, Logs 13
where l1.Id=l2.Id-1 and l2.Id=l3.Id-1
and l1.Num=l2.Num and l2.Num=l3.Num
181, Employees Earning More Than Their Managers:
Best_solution:
A straightforward method
select E1.Name
```

BEGIN

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from Employee as E1, Employee as E2
where E1.ManagerId = E2.Id and E1.Salary > E2.Salary
```

182, Duplicate Emails:

Best_solution:

I have this Simple Approach, anybody has some other way SELECT DISTINCT a.Email FROM Person a JOIN Person b ON (a.Email = b.Email) WHERE a.Id <> b.Id

183, Customers Who Never Order:

Best_solution:

Three accepted solutions

SELECT A.Name from Customers A

WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT 1 FROM Orders B WHERE A.Id = B.CustomerId)

SELECT A.Name from Customers A LEFT JOIN Orders B on a.Id = B.CustomerId

WHERE b.CustomerId is NULL

SELECT A.Name from Customers A
WHERE A.Id NOT IN (SELECT B.CustomerId from Orders B)

184,Department Highest Salary:

Best_solution:

Three accpeted solutions

 ${\tt SELECT\ D.Name\ AS\ Department\ ,E. Name\ AS\ Employee\ ,E. Salary}$

FROM

Employee E,

(SELECT DepartmentId, max(Salary) as max FROM Employee GROUP BY DepartmentId) T,

Department D

WHERE E.DepartmentId = T.DepartmentId

AND E.Salary = T.max

AND E.DepartmentId = D.id

SELECT D.Name,A.Name,A.Salary

FROM

Employee A,

Department D

WHERE A.DepartmentId = D.Id

AND NOT EXISTS

(SELECT 1 FROM Employee B WHERE B.Salary > A.Salary AND A.DepartmentId = B.DepartmentId)

 ${\tt SELECT\ D.Name\ AS\ Department\ ,E. Name\ AS\ Employee\ ,E. Salary}$

from

Employee E,

Department D

WHERE E.DepartmentId = D.id

AND (DepartmentId, Salary) in

(SELECT DepartmentId,max(Salary) as max FROM Employee GROUP BY DepartmentId)

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185,Department Top Three Salaries:
Best_solution:
Accepted solution without group by or order by
select d.Name Department, e1.Name Employee, e1.Salary
from Employee e1
join Department d
on e1.DepartmentId = d.Id
where 3 > (select count(distinct(e2.Salary))
         from Employee e2
         where e2.Salary > e1.Salary
         and e1.DepartmentId = e2.DepartmentId
187, Repeated DNA Sequences:
Python_solution:
4 lines Python solution
class Solution:
  # @param s, a string
  # @return a list of strings
  def findRepeatedDnaSequences(self, s):
   sequences = collections.defaultdict(int) #set '0' as the default value for non-existing keys
    for i in range(len(s)):
      sequences[s[i:i+10]] += 1#add 1 to the count
    return [key for key, value in sequences.iteritems() if value > 1] #extract the relevant keys
Best_solution:
Clean Java solution (hashmap + bits manipulation)
public List<String> findRepeatedDnaSequences(String s) {
  Set<Integer> words = new HashSet<>();
  Set<Integer> doubleWords = new HashSet<>();
  List<String> rv = new ArrayList<>();
  char[] map = new char[26];
  //map['A' - 'A'] = 0;
  map['C' - 'A'] = 1;
  map['G' - 'A'] = 2;
  map['T' - 'A'] = 3;
  for(int i = 0; i < s.length() - 9; i++) {
   int v = 0;
   for(int j = i; j < i + 10; j++) {
     v <<= 2;
     v |= map[s.charAt(j) - 'A'];
   if(!words.add(v) && doubleWords.add(v)) {
     rv.add(s.substring(i, i + 10));
   }
  }
  return rv;
188,Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock IV:
Python_solution:
Well explained Python DP with comments
```

def maxProfit4(self, k, prices):

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n = len(prices)
  if n < 2:
    return 0
  # k is big enougth to cover all ramps.
  if k \ge n / 2:
    return sum(i - j
          for i, j in zip(prices[1:], prices[:-1]) if i - j > 0)
  globalMax = [[0] * n for _ in xrange(k + 1)]
  for i in xrange(1, k + 1):
    # The max profit with i transations and selling stock on day j.
    localMax = [0] * n
    for j in xrange(1, n):
      profit = prices[j] - prices[j - 1]
      localMax[j] = max(
        # We have made max profit with (i - 1) transations in
        # (j - 1) days.
        # For the last transation, we buy stock on day (j - 1)
        # and sell it on day j.
        globalMax[i - 1][j - 1] + profit,
        # We have made max profit with (i - 1) transations in
        # (j - 1) days.
        # For the last transation, we buy stock on day j and
        # sell it on the same day, so we have 0 profit, apparently
        # we do not have to add it.
        globalMax[i-1][j-1], #+0,
        # We have made profit in (j - 1) days.
        # We want to cancel the day (j - 1) sale and sell it on
        # day j.
        localMax[j - 1] + profit)
      globalMax[i][j] = max(globalMax[i][j - 1], localMax[j])
  return globalMax[k][-1]
Best_solution:
A Concise DP Solution in Java
  public int maxProfit(int k, int[] prices) {
    int len = prices.length;
    if (k >= len / 2) return quickSolve(prices);
    int[][]t = new int[k + 1][len];
    for (int i = 1; i \le k; i++) {
      int tmpMax = -prices[0];
      for (int j = 1; j < len; j++) {
        t[i][j] = Math.max(t[i][j-1], prices[j] + tmpMax);
        tmpMax = Math.max(tmpMax, t[i - 1][j - 1] - prices[j]);
      }
    }
    return t[k][len - 1];
  private int quickSolve(int[] prices) {
    int len = prices.length, profit = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i < len; i++)
      // as long as there is a price gap, we gain a profit.
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if (prices[i] > prices[i - 1]) profit += prices[i] - prices[i - 1];
    return profit;
 }
189,Rotate Array:
Python_solution:
My solution by using Python
class Solution:
  # @param nums, a list of integer
  # @param k, num of steps
  # @return nothing, please modify the nums list in-place.
  def rotate(self, nums, k):
   n = len(nums)
   k = k \% n
   nums[:] = nums[n-k:] + nums[:n-k]
Best_solution:
Easy to read Java solution
public void rotate(int[] nums, int k) {
 k %= nums.length;
  reverse(nums, 0, nums.length - 1);
  reverse(nums, 0, k - 1);
  reverse(nums, k, nums.length - 1);
}
public void reverse(int[] nums, int start, int end) {
  while (start < end) {
   int temp = nums[start];
   nums[start] = nums[end];
   nums[end] = temp;
   start++;
   end--;
 }
}
190,Reverse Bits:
Python_solution:
Python AC with 63ms, 3lines
class Solution:
  #@param n, an integer
  #@return an integer
  def reverseBits(self, n):
   oribin='{0:032b}'.format(n)
   reversebin=oribin[::-1]
   return int(reversebin,2)
Best_solution:
O(1) bit operation C++ solution (8ms)
class Solution {
public:
  uint32_t reverseBits(uint32_t n) {
   n = (n >> 16) | (n << 16);
   n = ((n \& 0xff00ff00) >> 8) | ((n \& 0x00ff00ff) << 8);
   n = ((n \& 0xf0f0f0f0f) >> 4) | ((n \& 0x0f0f0f0f0f) << 4);
```

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n = ((n \& 0xcccccc) >> 2) | ((n \& 0x33333333) << 2);
    n = ((n \& 0xaaaaaaaa) >> 1) | ((n \& 0x55555555) << 1);
    return n;
 }
};
191, Number of 1 Bits:
Python_solution:
[Python] 2 solutions. One naive solution with built-in functions. One trick with bit operation
def hammingWeight(self, n):
 :type n: int
  :rtype: int
  return bin(n).count('1')
Best_solution:
Simple Java Solution, Bit Shifting
public static int hammingWeight(int n) {
         int ones = 0;
         while(n!=0) {
                  ones = ones + (n & 1);
                  n = n >>> 1;
         }
         return ones;
}
192, Word Frequency:
Best_solution:
My simple solution (one line with pipe)
cat words.txt | tr -s ' ' '\n' | sort | uniq -c | sort -r | awk '\{ print 2, 1\}'
193, Valid Phone Numbers:
Best solution:
Three different solutions using grep, sed, and awk
grep
194,Transpose File:
Best_solution:
AC solution using awk and statement just like C.
for
195,Tenth Line:
Best solution:
Share four different solutions
# Solution 1
cnt=0
while read line && [$cnt-le 10]; do
let'cnt = cnt + 1'
 if [$cnt-eq 10]; then
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echo $line
 exit 0
done < file.txt
# Solution 2
awk 'FNR == 10 {print }' file.txt
# OR
awk 'NR == 10' file.txt
# Solution 3
sed -n 10p file.txt
# Solution 4
tail -n+10 file.txt|head -1
196,Delete Duplicate Emails:
Best_solution:
Simple Solution
DELETE FROM Person
 WHERE Id IN
 (SELECT P1.Id FROM Person AS P1, Person AS P2
           WHERE P1.Id > P2.Id AND P1.Email = P2.Email);
197, Rising Temperature:
Best_solution:
Simple Solution
SELECT wt1.Id
FROM Weather wt1, Weather wt2
WHERE wt1.Temperature > wt2.Temperature AND
   TO_DAYS(wt1.DATE)-TO_DAYS(wt2.DATE)=1;
198,House Robber:
Python_solution:
Python solution, 3 lines.
f(0) = nums[0]
f(1) = \max(num[0], num[1])
f(k) = max(f(k-2) + nums[k], f(k-1))
Best_solution:
C 1ms, O(1)space, very simple solution
#define max(a, b) ((a)>(b)?(a):(b))
int rob(int num[], int n) {
 int a = 0;
 int b = 0:
 for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
   if (i\%2==0)
     a = max(a+num[i], b);
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}
   else
   {
      b = max(a, b+num[i]);
   }
  }
  return max(a, b);
}
199,Binary Tree Right Side View:
Python_solution:
5-9 Lines Python, 48+ ms
def rightSideView(self, root):
 if not root:
    return []
  right = self.rightSideView(root.right)
 left = self.rightSideView(root.left)
  return [root.val] + right + left[len(right):]
Best_solution:
My simple accepted solution(JAVA)
public class Solution {
  public List<Integer> rightSideView(TreeNode root) {
   List<Integer> result = new ArrayList<Integer>();
   rightView(root, result, 0);
   return result;
 }
  public void rightView(TreeNode curr, List<Integer> result, int currDepth){
   if(curr == null){
      return;
   if(currDepth == result.size()){
      result.add(curr.val);
   rightView(curr.right, result, currDepth + 1);
   rightView(curr.left, result, currDepth + 1);
 }
}
200,Number of Islands:
Python_solution:
7 lines Python, ~14 lines Java
def numIslands(self, grid):
  def sink(i, j):
    if 0 \le i \le len(grid) and 0 \le j \le len(grid[i]) and grid[i][j] == '1':
      grid[i][j] = '0'
      map(sink, (i+1, i-1, i, i), (j, j, j+1, j-1))
      return 1
    return 0
```

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return\ sum(sink(i,j)\ for\ i\ in\ range(len(grid))\ for\ j\ in\ range(len(grid[i])))
```

```
Best_solution:
Very concise Java AC solution
public class Solution {
private int n;
private int m;
public int numIslands(char[][] grid) {
  int count = 0;
  n = grid.length;
 if (n == 0) return 0;
  m = grid[0].length;
  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++){
   for (int j = 0; j < m; j++)
      if(grid[i][j] == '1') {
        DFSMarking(grid, i, j);
        ++count;
      }
  }
 return count;
}
private void DFSMarking(char[][] grid, int i, int j) {
 if (i < 0 || j < 0 || i >= n || j >= m || grid[i][j] != '1') return;
  grid[i][j] = '0';
  DFSMarking(grid, i + 1, j);
  DFSMarking(grid, i - 1, j);
  DFSMarking(grid, i, j + 1);
  DFSMarking(grid, i, j - 1);
}
201, Bitwise\ AND\ of\ Numbers\ Range:
Python_solution:
Java/Python easy solution with explanation
4 & 7 = 0b100 & 0b111 = 0b100
5 \& 7 = 0b101 \& 0b111 = 0b101
5 \& 6 = 0b101 \& 0b110 = 0b100
Best_solution:
Bit operation solution(JAVA)
public class Solution {
  public int rangeBitwiseAnd(int m, int n) {
    if(m == 0){
      return 0;
   int moveFactor = 1;
   while(m!=n){
      m >>= 1;
      n >>= 1;
      moveFactor <<= 1;
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return m * moveFactor;
 }
}
202,Happy Number:
Python_solution:
My Python Solution
def isHappy(self, n):
 mem = set()
 while n!= 1:
   n = sum([int(i) ** 2 for i in str(n)])
   if n in mem:
     return False
   else:
     mem.add(n)
 else:
   return True
Best_solution:
My solution in C(O(1) space and no magic math property involved)
int digitSquareSum(int n) {
 int sum = 0, tmp;
 while (n) {
   tmp = n \% 10;
   sum += tmp * tmp;
   n = 10;
 }
 return sum;
}
bool isHappy(int n) {
 int slow, fast;
 slow = fast = n;
 do {
   slow = digitSquareSum(slow);
   fast = digitSquareSum(fast);
   fast = digitSquareSum(fast);
 } while(slow != fast);
 if (slow == 1) return 1;
 else return 0;
}
203,Remove Linked List Elements:
Python_solution:
Python solution
class Solution:
# @param {ListNode} head
# @param {integer} val
# @return {ListNode}
def removeElements(self, head, val):
 dummy = ListNode(-1)
 dummy.next = head
 next = dummy
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while next!= None and next.next!= None:
    if next.next.val == val:
      next.next = next.next.next
    else:
      next = next.next
  return dummy.next
Best_solution:
3 line recursive solution
public ListNode removeElements(ListNode head, int val) {
    if (head == null) return null;
    head.next = removeElements(head.next, val);
    return head.val == val ? head.next : head;
}
204,Count Primes:
Python_solution:
Fast Python Solution
class Solution:
# @param {integer} n
# @return {integer}
def countPrimes(self, n):
  if n < 3:
    return 0
  primes = [True] * n
  primes[0] = primes[1] = False
  for i in range(2, int(n ** 0.5) + 1):
    if primes[i]:
      primes[i * i: n: i] = [False] * len(primes[i * i: n: i])
  return sum(primes)
Best_solution:
My simple Java solution
public class Solution {
  public int countPrimes(int n) {
    boolean[] notPrime = new boolean[n];
    int count = 0;
    for (int i = 2; i < n; i++) {
      if (notPrime[i] == false) {
        count++;
        for (int j = 2; i*j < n; j++) {
          notPrime[i*j] = true;
        }
     }
    }
    return count;
205,Isomorphic Strings:
Python_solution:
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Python different solutions (dictionary, etc).

```
defisIsomorphic1(self, s, t):
  d1, d2 = {}, {}
  for i, val in enumerate(s):
    d1[val] = d1.get(val, []) + [i]
  for i, val in enumerate(t):
    d2[val] = d2.get(val, []) + [i]
  return sorted(d1.values()) == sorted(d2.values())
defisIsomorphic2(self, s, t):
  d1, d2 = [[] for _ in xrange(256)], [[] for _ in xrange(256)]
  for i, val in enumerate(s):
    d1[ord(val)].append(i)
  for i, val in enumerate(t):
    d2[ord(val)].append(i)
  return sorted(d1) == sorted(d2)
def isIsomorphic3(self, s, t):
  return len(set(zip(s, t))) == len(set(s)) == len(set(t))
def isIsomorphic4(self, s, t):
  return [s.find(i) for i in s] == [t.find(j) for j in t]
def isIsomorphic5(self, s, t):
  return map(s.find, s) == map(t.find, t)
def isIsomorphic(self, s, t):
  d1, d2 = [0 for _ in xrange(256)], [0 for _ in xrange(256)]
  for i in xrange(len(s)):
    if d1[ord(s[i])] != d2[ord(t[i])]:
      return False
    d1[ord(s[i])] = i+1
    d2[ord(t[i])] = i+1
  return True
Best_solution:
My 6 lines solution
class Solution {
public:
  bool isIsomorphic(string s, string t) {
    int m1[256] = \{0\}, m2[256] = \{0\}, n = s.size();
    for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
      if (m1[s[i]] != m2[t[i]]) return false;
      m1[s[i]] = i + 1;
      m2[t[i]] = i + 1;
    }
    return true;
 }
};
206,Reverse Linked List:
Python_solution:
Python Iterative and Recursive Solution
class Solution:
# @param {ListNode} head
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# @return {ListNode}
def reverseList(self, head):
  prev = None
  while head:
    curr = head
    head = head.next
    curr.next = prev
    prev = curr
  return prev
Best_solution:
In-place iterative and recursive Java solution
public ListNode reverseList(ListNode head) {
  /* iterative solution */
  ListNode newHead = null;
  while (head != null) {
    ListNode next = head.next;
    head.next = newHead;
    newHead = head;
    head = next;
  return newHead;
}
public ListNode reverseList(ListNode head) {
  /* recursive solution */
  return reverseListInt(head, null);
}
private ListNode reverseListInt(ListNode head, ListNode newHead) {
  if (head == null)
    return newHead;
  ListNode next = head.next;
  head.next = newHead;
  return reverseListInt(next, head);
}
207,Course Schedule:
Python_solution:
Python 20 lines DFS solution sharing with explanation
def canFinish(self, numCourses, prerequisites):
  graph = [[] for _ in xrange(numCourses)]
  visit = [0 for _ in xrange(numCourses)]
  for x, y in prerequisites:
    graph[x].append(y)
  def dfs(i):
    if visit[i] == -1:
      return False
    if visit[i] == 1:
      return True
    visit[i] = -1
    for j in graph[i]:
      if not dfs(j):
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return False
   visit[i] = 1
    return True
  for i in xrange(numCourses):
   if not dfs(i):
     return False
  return True
Best_solution:
18-22 lines C++ BFS/DFS Solutions
prerequisites
208,Implement Trie (Prefix Tree):
Python_solution:
AC Python Solution
class TrieNode:
# Initialize your data structure here.
def __init__(self):
 self.children = collections.defaultdict(TrieNode)
 self.is_word = False
class Trie:
def __init__(self):
 self.root = TrieNode()
definsert(self, word):
  current = self.root
  for letter in word:
    current = current.children[letter]
  current.is_word = True
def search(self, word):
  current = self.root
  for letter in word:
    current = current.children.get(letter)
   if current is None:
     return False
  return current.is_word
def startsWith(self, prefix):
  current = self.root
  for letter in prefix:
    current = current.children.get(letter)
   if current is None:
      return False
  return True
Best_solution:
Maybe the code is not too much by using "next[26]", C++
class TrieNode
{
public:
 TrieNode *next[26];
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bool is_word;
  // Initialize your data structure here.
  TrieNode(bool b = false)
    memset(next, 0, sizeof(next));
    is_word = b;
 }
};
class Trie
  TrieNode *root;
public:
 Trie()
  {
    root = new TrieNode();
  // Inserts a word into the trie.
  void insert(string s)
    TrieNode *p = root;
    for(int i = 0; i < s.size(); ++ i)
      if(p \rightarrow next[s[i] - 'a'] == NULL)
        p -> next[s[i] - 'a'] = new TrieNode();
      p = p -> next[s[i] - 'a'];
    p -> is_word = true;
  // Returns if the word is in the trie.
  bool search(string key)
    TrieNode *p = find(key);
    return p != NULL && p -> is_word;
  }
  // Returns if there is any word in the trie
  // that starts with the given prefix.
  bool startsWith(string prefix)
    return find(prefix) != NULL;
  }
private:
  TrieNode* find(string key)
    TrieNode *p = root;
    for(int i = 0; i < key.size() && p != NULL; ++ i)
      p = p \rightarrow next[key[i] - 'a'];
    return p;
```

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}
209, Minimum Size Subarray Sum:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) and O(n log n) solution
class Solution:
def minSubArrayLen(self, s, nums):
  total = left = 0
  result = len(nums) + 1
  for right, n in enumerate(nums):
   total += n
   while total >= s:
      result = min(result, right - left + 1)
     total -= nums[left]
     left += 1
  return result if result <= len(nums) else 0
Best_solution:
Accepted clean Java O(n) solution (two pointers)
public int minSubArrayLen(int s, int[] a) {
if (a == null || a.length == 0)
 return 0;
 int i = 0, j = 0, sum = 0, min = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
 while (j < a.length) {
 sum += a[j++];
  while (sum >= s) {
   min = Math.min(min, j - i);
  sum -= a[i++];
 }
 }
return min == Integer.MAX_VALUE ? 0 : min;
}
210,Course Schedule II:
Python_solution:
Python dfs, bfs solutions with comments.
# BFS
def findOrder1(self, numCourses, prerequisites):
  dic = {i: set() for i in xrange(numCourses)}
  neigh = collections.defaultdict(set)
  for i, j in prerequisites:
    dic[i].add(j)
   neigh[j].add(i)
  # queue stores the courses which have no prerequisites
  queue = collections.deque([i for i in dic if not dic[i]])
  count, res = 0, []
  while queue:
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node = queue.popleft()
    res.append(node)
    count += 1
    for i in neigh[node]:
      dic[i].remove(node)
     if not dic[i]:
        queue.append(i)
  return res if count == numCourses else []
# DFS
def findOrder(self, numCourses, prerequisites):
  dic = collections.defaultdict(set)
  neigh = collections.defaultdict(set)
  for i, j in prerequisites:
   dic[i].add(j)
   neigh[j].add(i)
  stack = [i for i in xrange(numCourses) if not dic[i]]
  res = []
  while stack:
   node = stack.pop()
    res.append(node)
   for i in neigh[node]:
      dic[i].remove(node)
      if not dic[i]:
        stack.append(i)
    dic.pop(node)
  return res if not dic else □
Best_solution:
Two AC solution in Java using BFS and DFS with explanation
public int[] findOrder(int numCourses, int[][] prerequisites) {
  int[] incLinkCounts = new int[numCourses];
  List<List<Integer>> adjs = new ArrayList<>(numCourses);
  initialiseGraph(incLinkCounts, adjs, prerequisites);
  //return solveByBFS(incLinkCounts, adjs);
  return solveByDFS(adjs);
211,Add and Search Word - Data structure design:
Python_solution:
Python 168ms-beat-100% solution
class WordDictionary(object):
  def __init__(self):
   self.word_dict = collections.defaultdict(list)
  def addWord(self, word):
    if word:
      self.word_dict[len(word)].append(word)
  def search(self, word):
    if not word:
      return False
```

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if'.' not in word:
      return word in self.word_dict[len(word)]
   for v in self.word_dict[len(word)]:
      # match xx.xx.x with yyyyyyy
     for i, ch in enumerate(word):
        if ch != v[i] and ch != '.':
          break
      else:
        return True
    return False
Best_solution:
My simple and clean Java code
public class WordDictionary {
  public class TrieNode {
   public TrieNode[] children = new TrieNode[26];
   public String item = "";
  private TrieNode root = new TrieNode();
  public void addWord(String word) {
   TrieNode node = root;
   for (char c : word.toCharArray()) {
     if (node.children[c - 'a'] == null) {
        node.children[c - 'a'] = new TrieNode();
     node = node.children[c - 'a'];
   }
   node.item = word;
  public boolean search(String word) {
    return match(word.toCharArray(), 0, root);
  }
  private boolean match(char[] chs, int k, TrieNode node) {
   if (k == chs.length) return !node.item.equals("");
    if (chs[k] != '.') {
      return node.children[chs[k] - 'a']!= null && match(chs, k + 1, node.children[chs[k] - 'a']);
   } else {
     for (int i = 0; i < node.children.length; i++) {
        if (node.children[i] != null) {
          if (match(chs, k + 1, node.children[i])) {
            return true;
          }
       }
     }
    return false;
```

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212, Word Search II:
Python_solution:
Python code use trie and dfs 380ms
class Solution:
  # @param {character[][]} board
  # @param {string[]} words
  # @return {string[]}
  def findWords(self, board, words):
  #make trie
   trie={}
   for w in words:
      t=trie
      for c in w:
        if c not in t:
          t[c]={}
        t=t[c]
      t['#']='#'
   self.res=set()
   self.used=[[False]*len(board[0]) for _ in range(len(board))]
    for i in range(len(board)):
      for j in range(len(board[0])):
        self.find(board,i,j,trie,'')
    return list(self.res)
  def find(self,board,i,j,trie,pre):
   if '#' in trie:
      self.res.add(pre)
   if i<0 or i>=len(board) or j<0 or j>=len(board[0]):
   if not self.used[i][j] and board[i][j] in trie:
      self.used[i][j]=True
      self.find(board,i+1,j,trie[board[i][j]],pre+board[i][j])
      self.find(board,i,j+1,trie[board[i][j]],pre+board[i][j])\\
      self.find(board,i-1,j,trie[board[i][j]],pre+board[i][j])
      self.find(board,i,j-1,trie[board[i][j]],pre+board[i][j])
      self.used[i][j]=False
Best solution:
Java 15ms Easiest Solution (100.00%)
Backtracking (dfs)
213,House Robber II:
Python_solution:
My Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def rob(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: int
   n = len(nums)
   if n == 0: return 0
   if n < 4: return max(nums)
```

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first, second = 0, 0
    for i in nums[:-1]: first, second = second, max(first + i, second)
    result = second
    first, second = 0, 0
   for i in nums[1:]: first, second = second, max(first + i, second)
    return max(result, second)
Best solution:
Simple AC solution in Java in O(n) with explanation
private int rob(int[] num, int lo, int hi) {
  int include = 0, exclude = 0;
  for (int j = lo; j \le hi; j++) {
   int i = include, e = exclude;
   include = e + num[j];
   exclude = Math.max(e, i);
 return Math.max(include, exclude);
214, Shortest Palindrome:
Python_solution:
Python solution(KMP)
class Solution:
# @param {string} s
# @return {string}
def shortestPalindrome(self, s):
  A=s+"*"+s[::-1]
  cont=[0]
  for i in range(1,len(A)):
    index=cont[i-1]
   while(index>0 and A[index]!=A[i]):
      index=cont[index-1]
    cont.append(index+(1 if A[index]==A[i] else 0))
  return s[cont[-1]:][::-1]+s
Best_solution:
Clean KMP solution with super detailed explanation
public String shortestPalindrome(String s) {
  String temp = s + "#" + new StringBuilder(s).reverse().toString();
  int[] table = getTable(temp);
  //get the maximum palin part in s starts from \boldsymbol{0}
  return new StringBuilder(s.substring(table[table.length - 1])).reverse().toString() + s;
}
public int[] getTable(String s){
  //get lookup table
  int[] table = new int[s.length()];
  //pointer that points to matched char in prefix part
  int index = 0;
  //skip index 0, we will not match a string with itself
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for(int i = 1; i < s.length(); i++){
   if(s.charAt(index) == s.charAt(i)){
      //we can extend match in prefix and postfix
      table[i] = table[i-1] + 1;
      index ++;
    }else{
      //match failed, we try to match a shorter substring
     //by assigning index to table[i-1], we will shorten the match string length, and jump to the
      //prefix part that we used to match postfix ended at i - 1
     index = table[i-1];
     while(index > 0 && s.charAt(index) != s.charAt(i)){
        //we will try to shorten the match string length until we revert to the beginning of match (index 1)
        index = table[index-1];
     }
     //when we are here may either found a match char or we reach the boundary and still no luck
      //so we need check char match
     if(s.charAt(index) == s.charAt(i)){
        //if match, then extend one char
        index ++;
     }
     table[i] = index;
  }
  return table;
}
215,Kth Largest Element in an Array:
Python_solution:
Python different solutions with comments (bubble sort, selection sort, heap sort and quick sort).
# O(nlgn) time
def findKthLargest1(self, nums, k):
  return sorted(nums, reverse=True)[k-1]
# O(nk) time, bubble sort idea, TLE
def findKthLargest2(self, nums, k):
  for i in xrange(k):
    for j in xrange(len(nums)-i-1):
      if nums[j] > nums[j+1]:
        # exchange elements, time consuming
        nums[j], nums[j+1] = nums[j+1], nums[j]
  return nums[len(nums)-k]
# O(nk) time, selection sort idea
def findKthLargest3(self, nums, k):
  for i in xrange(len(nums), len(nums)-k, -1):
   tmp = 0
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for j in xrange(i):
     if nums[j] > nums[tmp]:
        tmp = j
   nums[tmp], nums[i-1] = nums[i-1], nums[tmp]
 return nums[len(nums)-k]
# O(k+(n-k)lgk) time, min-heap
def findKthLargest4(self, nums, k):
 heap = \prod
 for num in nums:
   heapq.heappush(heap, num)
 for _ in xrange(len(nums)-k):
   heapq.heappop(heap)
 return heapq.heappop(heap)
# O(k+(n-k)lgk) time, min-heap
def findKthLargest5(self, nums, k):
 return heapq.nlargest(k, nums)[k-1]
# O(n) time, quick selection
def findKthLargest(self, nums, k):
 # convert the kth largest to smallest
 return self.findKthSmallest(nums, len(nums)+1-k)
def findKthSmallest(self, nums, k):
 if nums:
   pos = self.partition(nums, 0, len(nums)-1)
   if k > pos+1:
     return self.findKthSmallest(nums[pos+1:], k-pos-1)
   elif k < pos+1:
      return self.findKthSmallest(nums[:pos], k)
   else:
     return nums[pos]
# choose the right-most element as pivot
def partition(self, nums, l, r):
 low = l
 while l < r:
   if nums[l] < nums[r]:
     nums[l], nums[low] = nums[low], nums[l]
     low += 1
   1 += 1
 nums[low], nums[r] = nums[r], nums[low]
 return low
Best_solution:
Solution explained
public int findKthLargest(int[] nums, int k) {
    final int N = nums.length;
   Arrays.sort(nums);
   return nums[N-k];
}
```

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216,Combination Sum III:
Python_solution:
Concise python solution using DFS
class Solution:
  # @param {integer} k
  #@param {integer} n
  # @return {integer[][]}
  def combinationSum3(self, k, n):
    if n > sum([i \text{ for } i \text{ in range}(1, 11)]):
      return []
    res = []
    self.sum_help(k, n, 1, [], res)
    return res
  def sum_help(self, k, n, curr, arr, res):
    if len(arr) == k:
      if sum(arr) == n:
        res.append(list(arr))
      return
    if len(arr) > k or curr > 9:
      return
    for i in range(curr, 10):
      arr.append(i)
      self.sum_help(k, n, i + 1, arr, res)
      arr.pop()
Best_solution:
Simple and clean Java code, backtracking.
public List<List<Integer>> combinationSum3(int k, int n) {
  List<List<Integer>> ans = new ArrayList<>();
  combination(ans, new ArrayList<Integer>(), k, 1, n);
  return ans;
}
private\ void\ combination (List < List < Integer >> \ ans,\ List < Integer >> \ comb,\ int\ k,\ int\ start,\ int\ n)\ \{
         if (comb.size() == k && n == 0) {
                   List<Integer> li = new ArrayList<Integer>(comb);
                   ans.add(li);
                   return;
         }
         for (int i = start; i \le 9; i++) {
                   comb.add(i);
                   combination(ans, comb, k, i+1, n-i);
                   comb.remove(comb.size() - 1);
         }
}
217, Contains Duplicate:
Python_solution:
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One line solution in python

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class Solution(object):
def containsDuplicate(self, nums):
 :type nums: List[int]
 :rtype: bool
  return len(nums) != len(set(nums))
Best solution:
Possible solutions.
public boolean containsDuplicate(int[] nums) {
    for(int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
      for(int j = i + 1; j < nums.length; j++) {
        if(nums[i] == nums[j]) {
          return true;
        }
      }
    }
    return false;
218,The Skyline Problem:
Python_solution:
14 line python code, straightforward & easy to understand
class Solution(object):
def getSkyline(self, buildings):
  :type buildings: List[List[int]]
 :rtype: List[List[int]]
  def addsky(pos, hei):
    if sky[-1][1] != hei:
      sky.append([pos, hei])
 sky = [[-1,0]]
  # possible corner positions
  position = set([b[0] \ for \ b \ in \ buildings] + [b[1] \ for \ b \ in \ buildings])
  # live buildings
 live = []
 i = 0
  for t in sorted(position):
    # add the new buildings whose left side is lefter than position t
    while i < len(buildings) and buildings[i][0] <= t:
      heappush(live, (-buildings[i][2], buildings[i][1]))
      i += 1
    # remove the past buildings whose right side is lefter than position t
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while live and live[0][1] <= t:
      heappop(live)
    # pick the highest existing building at this moment
   h = -live[0][0] if live else 0
   addsky(t, h)
  return sky[1:]
Best_solution:
(Guaranteed) Really Detailed and Good (Perfect) Explanation of The Skyline Problem
None
219,Contains Duplicate II:
Python_solution:
Python concise solution with dictionary.
def containsNearbyDuplicate(self, nums, k):
  dic = \{\}
  for i, v in enumerate(nums):
   if v in dic and i - dic[v] \leq k:
      return True
    dic[v] = i
  return False
Best solution:
Simple Java solution
public boolean containsNearbyDuplicate(int[] nums, int k) {
    Set<Integer> set = new HashSet<Integer>();
    for(int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++){
     if(i > k) set.remove(nums[i-k-1]);
     if(!set.add(nums[i])) return true;
    return false;
}
220,Contains Duplicate III:
Python_solution:
Java/Python one pass solution, O(n) time O(n) space using buckets
(1) the two in the same bucket
(2) the two in neighbor buckets
Best_solution:
AC O(N) solution in Java using buckets with explanation
public class Solution {
  public boolean containsNearbyAlmostDuplicate(int[] nums, int k, int t) {
    if (k < 1 || t < 0) return false;
    Map<Long, Long> map = new HashMap<>();
    for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
     long remappedNum = (long) nums[i] - Integer.MIN_VALUE;
     long bucket = remappedNum / ((long) t + 1);
      if (map.containsKey(bucket)
          || (map.containsKey(bucket - 1) && remappedNum - map.get(bucket - 1) <= t)
            || (map.containsKey(bucket + 1) && map.get(bucket + 1) - remappedNum <= t))
              return true;
     if (map.entrySet().size() >= k) {
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long lastBucket = ((long) nums[i - k] - Integer.MIN_VALUE) / ((long) t + 1);
        map.remove(lastBucket);
     map.put(bucket, remappedNum);
   return false;
}
221, Maximal Square:
Python_solution:
9-lines Python DP solution with explaination
def maximalSquare(self, matrix):
  dp, maxArea = [[0 for _1_ in range(len(matrix[0]))] for ___ in range(len(matrix))], 0
  for i in xrange(0, len(matrix)):
    for j in xrange(0, len(matrix[0])):
      if i == 0 or j == 0:
        dp[i][j] = int(matrix[i][j])
      elif int(matrix[i][j]) == 1:
        dp[i][j] = min(dp[i-1][j-1], dp[i][j-1], dp[i-1][j]) + 1
      maxArea = max(maxArea, dp[i][j])
  return maxArea*maxArea
Best_solution:
Easy DP solution in C++ with detailed explanations (8ms, O(n^2) time and O(n) space)
(i, j)
222,Count Complete Tree Nodes:
Python_solution:
My python solution in O(lgn * lgn) time
class Solution:
    # @param {TreeNode} root
    # @return {integer}
   def countNodes(self, root):
     if not root:
        return 0
     leftDepth = self.getDepth(root.left)
     rightDepth = self.getDepth(root.right)
     if leftDepth == rightDepth:
        return pow(2, leftDepth) + self.countNodes(root.right)
        return pow(2, rightDepth) + self.countNodes(root.left)
    def getDepth(self, root):
     if not root:
        return 0
      return 1 + self.getDepth(root.left)
Best_solution:
Concise Java solutions O(log(n)^2)
class Solution {
  int height(TreeNode root) {
    return root == null ? -1 : 1 + height(root.left);
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public int countNodes(TreeNode root) {
   int h = height(root);
   return h < 0 ? 0 :
       height(root.right) == h-1?(1 << h) + countNodes(root.right)</pre>
                     : (1 << h-1) + countNodes(root.left);
 }
}
223,Rectangle Area:
Python_solution:
My python solutions
class Solution:
  def computeArea(self, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H):
   areaA = (C - A) * (D - B)
   areaB = (G - E) * (H - F)
   l = max(0, min(C, G) - max(A, E))
   h = \max(0, \min(D, H) - \max(B, F))
   return areaA + areaB - l*h
Best_solution:
Just another short way
right
224,Basic Calculator:
Python_solution:
Easy 18 lines C++, 16 lines Python
Best_solution:
Iterative Java solution with stack
public int calculate(String s) {
  Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>();
  int result = 0;
  int number = 0;
  int sign = 1;
  for(int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++){
    char c = s.charAt(i);
    if(Character.isDigit(c)){
      number = 10 * number + (int)(c - '0');
    else if(c == '+'){
     result += sign * number;
     number = 0;
      sign = 1;
   else if(c == '-'){
      result += sign * number;
      number = 0;
     sign = -1;
    }else if(c == '('){
      //we push the result first, then sign;
      stack.push(result);
     stack.push(sign);
      //reset the sign and result for the value in the parenthesis
     sign = 1;
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result = 0;
   }else if(c == ')'){
     result += sign * number;
     number = 0;
     result *= stack.pop(); //stack.pop() is the sign before the parenthesis
     result += stack.pop(); //stack.pop() now is the result calculated before the parenthesis
   }
 if(number != 0) result += sign * number;
  return result;
225,Implement Stack using Queues:
Python\_solution:
Concise 1 Queue - Java, C++, Python
class Stack {
  queue<int> q;
public:
 void push(int x) {
   q.push(x);
    for (int i=1; i<q.size(); i++) {
     q.push(q.front());
      q.pop();
   }
  }
 void pop() {
   q.pop();
  int top() {
   return q.front();
  }
  bool empty() {
   return q.empty();
 }
};
Best_solution:
A simple C++ solution
class Stack {
public:
         queue<int> que;
         // Push element x onto stack.
         void push(int x) {
                  que.push(x);
                  for(int i=0;i < que.size()-1;++i){}
                            que.push(que.front());
                            que.pop();
                  }
         }
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// Removes the element on top of the stack.
         void pop() {
                   que.pop();
         }
         // Get the top element.
         int top() {
                  return que.front();
         // Return whether the stack is empty.
         bool empty() {
                  return que.empty();
         }
};
226,Invert Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
3-4 lines Python
def invertTree(self, root):
  if root:
    root.left, root.right = self.invertTree(root.right), self.invertTree(root.left)
    return root
Best_solution:
Straightforward DFS recursive, iterative, BFS solutions
public class Solution {
  public TreeNode invertTree(TreeNode root) {
   if (root == null) {
      return null;
   final TreeNode left = root.left,
        right = root.right;
    root.left = invertTree(right);
   root.right = invertTree(left);
   return root;
}
227,Basic Calculator II:
Python_solution:
Python short solution with stack.
def calculate(self, s):
  if not s:
    return "0"
  stack, num, sign = [], 0, "+"
  for i in xrange(len(s)):
   if s[i].isdigit():
     num = num*10+ord(s[i])-ord("0")
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if (not s[i].isdigit() and not s[i].isspace()) or i == len(s)-1:
     if sign == "-":
        stack.append(-num)
      elif sign == "+":
        stack.append(num)
      elif sign == "*":
        stack.append(stack.pop()*num)
        tmp = stack.pop()
        if tmp//num < 0 and tmp%num != 0:
          stack.append(tmp//num+1)
        else:
          stack.append(tmp//num)
     sign = s[i]
     num = 0
  return sum(stack)
Best_solution:
Share my java solution
public class Solution {
public int calculate(String s) {
  int len;
  if(s==null || (len = s.length())==0) return 0;
  Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>();
  int num = 0;
  char sign = '+';
  for(int i=0;i<len;i++){
   if(Character.isDigit(s.charAt(i))){
     num = num*10+s.charAt(i)-'0';
   if((!Character.isDigit(s.charAt(i)) \&\&' '!=s.charAt(i)) || i==len-1){}
      if(sign == '-'){}
       stack.push(-num);
     if(sign=='+'){
        stack.push(num);
     if(sign=='*'){
       stack.push(stack.pop()*num);
     if(sign=='/'){
        stack.push(stack.pop()/num);
     sign = s.charAt(i);
     num = 0;
   }
 }
  int re = 0;
  for(int i:stack){
   re += i;
  }
  return re;
```

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228,Summary Ranges:
Python_solution:
6 lines in Python
def summaryRanges(self, nums):
  ranges = []
  for n in nums:
   if not ranges or n > ranges[-1][-1] + 1:
     ranges += [],
    ranges[-1][1:] = n,
  return ['->'.join(map(str, r)) for r in ranges]
Best_solution:
Accepted JAVA solution--easy to understand
List<String> list=new ArrayList();
         if(nums.length==1){
                  list.add(nums[0]+"");
                  return list;
         }
 for(int i=0;i<nums.length;i++){</pre>
         int a=nums[i];
         while(i+1 < nums.length & (nums[i+1] - nums[i]) == 1){
                  i++;
         if(a!=nums[i]){
                  list.add(a+"->"+nums[i]);
         }else{
                  list.add(a+"");
         }
  }
  return list;
229,Majority Element II:
Python_solution:
Clear O(n) solution in python, no data structure or sort.
class Solution:
  # @param {integer[]} nums
  # @return {integer[]}
  def majorityElement(self, nums):
   a, b, ca, cb = 0, 1, 0, 0
   for num in nums:
     if a == num:
        ca += 1
      elif b == num:
        cb += 1
      elif ca == 0:
        a, ca = num, 1
      elif cb == 0:
        b, cb = num, 1
      else:
        ca -= 1
        cb -= 1
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ca = len([0 \text{ for num in nums if num} == a])
    cb = len([0 \text{ for num in nums if num} == b])
    res = []
   if ca > len(nums) / 3:
     res.append(a)
   if cb > len(nums) / 3:
      res.append(b)
    return res
Best_solution:
Boyer-Moore Majority Vote algorithm and my elaboration
class Solution:
# @param {integer[]} nums
# @return {integer[]}
def majorityElement(self, nums):
 if not nums:
    return []
  count1, count2, candidate1, candidate2 = 0, 0, 0, 1
  for n in nums:
   if n == candidate1:
     count1 += 1
   elif n == candidate2:
      count2 += 1
   elif count1 == 0:
      candidate1, count1 = n, 1
    elif count2 == 0:
      candidate2, count2 = n, 1
      count1, count2 = count1 - 1, count2 - 1
  return [n for n in (candidate1, candidate2)
          if nums.count(n) > len(nums) // 3
230,Kth Smallest Element in a BST:
Python_solution:
3 ways implemented in JAVA (Python): Binary Search, in-order iterative & recursive
public int kthSmallest(TreeNode root, int k) {
   int count = countNodes(root.left);
   if (k \le count) {
     return kthSmallest(root.left, k);
   } else if (k > count + 1) {
     return kthSmallest(root.right, k-1-count); // 1 is counted as current node
   }
   return root.val;
  }
  public int countNodes(TreeNode n) {
   if (n == null) return 0;
    return 1 + countNodes(n.left) + countNodes(n.right);
  }
```

3 ways implemented in JAVA (Python): Binary Search, in-order iterative & recursive

Best_solution:

```
public int kthSmallest(TreeNode root, int k) {
   int count = countNodes(root.left);
   if(k \le count)
     return kthSmallest(root.left, k);
   } else if (k > count + 1) {
     return kthSmallest(root.right, k-1-count); // 1 is counted as current node
   }
   return root.val;
  }
  public int countNodes(TreeNode n) {
   if (n == null) return 0;
   return 1 + countNodes(n.left) + countNodes(n.right);
  }
231,Power of Two:
Python_solution:
Python one line solution
class Solution(object):
  def isPowerOfTwo(self, n):
   :type n: int
   :rtype: bool
   return n > 0 and not (n \& n-1)
Best_solution:
Using n&(n-1) trick
class Solution {
public:
 bool isPowerOfTwo(int n) {
   if(n<=0) return false;
    return !(n&(n-1));
 }
};
232,Implement Queue using Stacks:
Python_solution:
Share my python solution (32ms)
class Queue(object):
 def \_init\_(self):
   initialize your data structure here.
   self.inStack, self.outStack = [], []
  def push(self, x):
   :type x: int
   :rtype: nothing
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self.inStack.append(x)
  def pop(self):
   :rtype: nothing
   self.move()
   self.outStack.pop()
  def peek(self):
   :rtype: int
   self.move()
   return self.outStack[-1]
  def empty(self):
   :rtype: bool
   return (not self.inStack) and (not self.outStack)
  def move(self):
   :rtype nothing
   if not self.outStack:
     while self.inStack:
        self.outStack.append(self.inStack.pop())
Best_solution:
Short O(1) amortized, C++ / Java / Ruby
233, Number of Digit One:
Python_solution:
4+ lines, O(log n), C++/Java/Python
int countDigitOne(int n) {
 int ones = 0;
  for (long long m = 1; m \le n; m *= 10)
   ones += (n/m + 8) / 10 * m + (n/m \% 10 == 1) * (n\%m + 1);
  return ones;
Best_solution:
4+ lines, O(log n), C++/Java/Python
int countDigitOne(int n) {
 int ones = 0:
  for (long long m = 1; m \le n; m *= 10)
   ones += (n/m + 8) / 10 * m + (n/m % 10 == 1) * (n%m + 1);
  return ones;
```

}

}

```
234,Palindrome Linked List:
Python_solution:
Python easy to understand solution with comments (operate nodes directly).
def isPalindrome(self, head):
  fast = slow = head
  # find the mid node
  while fast and fast.next:
   fast = fast.next.next
   slow = slow.next
  # reverse the second half
  node = None
  while slow:
   nxt = slow.next
   slow.next = node
   node = slow
   slow = nxt
  # compare the first and second half nodes
  while node: # while node and head:
    if node.val != head.val:
     return False
    node = node.next
   head = head.next
  return True
Best_solution:
Reversing a list is not considered "O(1) space"
# reverse in place
def reverse(ls):
  for i in xrange(len(ls)//2):
   ls[i], ls[-(i+1)] = ls[-(i+1)], ls[i]
  return ls
235,Lowest Common Ancestor of a Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
Python Iterative Solution
class Solution:
def lowestCommonAncestor(self, root, p, q):
  while root:
   if root.val > p.val and root.val > q.val:
     root = root.left
   elif root.val < p.val and root.val < q.val:
     root = root.right
   else:
     return root
Best_solution:
3 lines with O(1) space, 1-Liners, Alternatives
def lowestCommonAncestor(self, root, p, q):
  while (root.val - p.val) * (root.val - q.val) > 0:
    root = (root.left, root.right)[p.val > root.val]
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return root

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Python_solution:
4 lines C++/Java/Python/Ruby
TreeNode* lowestCommonAncestor(TreeNode* root, TreeNode* p, TreeNode* q) {
 if (!root || root == p || root == q) return root;
 TreeNode* left = lowestCommonAncestor(root->left, p, q);
 TreeNode* right = lowestCommonAncestor(root->right, p, q);
 return !left ? right : !right ? left : root;
}
Best_solution:
4 lines C++/Java/Python/Ruby
TreeNode* lowestCommonAncestor(TreeNode* root, TreeNode* p, TreeNode* q) {
 if (!root || root == p || root == q) return root;
 TreeNode* left = lowestCommonAncestor(root->left, p, q);
 TreeNode* right = lowestCommonAncestor(root->right, p, q);
 return !left ? right : !right ? left : root;
}
237,Delete Node in a Linked List:
Python_solution:
1-3 lines, C++/Java/Python/C/C#/JavaScript/Ruby
void deleteNode(ListNode* node) {
 *node = *node->next;
}
Best_solution:
1-3 lines, C++/Java/Python/C/C#/JavaScript/Ruby
void deleteNode(ListNode* node) {
 *node = *node->next;
}
238,Product of Array Except Self:
Python_solution:
Python solution (Accepted), O(n) time, O(1) space
class Solution:
 # @param {integer[]} nums
 # @return {integer[]}
 def productExceptSelf(self, nums):
   p = 1
   n = len(nums)
   output = []
   for i in range(0,n):
     output.append(p)
     p = p * nums[i]
   p = 1
   for i in range(n-1,-1,-1):
     output[i] = output[i] * p
     p = p * nums[i]
    return output
Best_solution:
```

Simple Java solution in O(n) without extra space

```
public class Solution {
public int[] productExceptSelf(int[] nums) {
  int n = nums.length;
  int[] res = new int[n];
  res[0] = 1;
  for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
   res[i] = res[i - 1] * nums[i - 1];
 int right = 1;
  for (int i = n - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
    res[i] *= right;
   right *= nums[i];
  }
  return res;
}
239,Sliding Window Maximum:
Python_solution:
9 lines Ruby, 11 lines Python, O(n)
Best_solution:
Java O(n) solution using deque with explanation
public int[] maxSlidingWindow(int[] a, int k) {
                   if (a == null || k <= 0) {
                             return new int[0];
                   int n = a.length;
                   int[] r = new int[n-k+1];
                   int ri = 0;
                   // store index
                   Deque<Integer> q = new ArrayDeque<>();
                   for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {
                             // remove numbers out of range k
                             while (!q.isEmpty() && q.peek() < i - k + 1) {
                             }
                             // remove smaller numbers in k range as they are useless
                             while (!q.isEmpty() && a[q.peekLast()] < a[i]) {
                                      q.pollLast();
                             // q contains index... r contains content
                             q.offer(i);
                             if (i >= k - 1) {
                                      r[ri++] = a[q.peek()];
                             }
                   }
                   return r;
         }
240,Search a 2D Matrix II:
Python_solution:
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6-9 lines C++/Python Solutions with Explanations

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target
Best_solution:
My concise O(m+n) Java solution
public class Solution {
  public boolean searchMatrix(int[][] matrix, int target) {
    if(matrix == null || matrix.length < 1 || matrix[0].length < 1) {
      return false;
   }
   int col = matrix[0].length-1;
   int row = 0;
   while(col >= 0 && row <= matrix.length-1) {
      if(target == matrix[row][col]) {
        return true;
     } else if(target < matrix[row][col]) {
     } else if(target > matrix[row][col]) {
        row++;
     }
   }
   return false;
}
241,Different Ways to Add Parentheses:
Python_solution:
1-11 lines Python, 9 lines C++
def diffWaysToCompute(self, input):
 tokens = re.split('(\D)', input)
 nums = map(int, tokens[::2])
 ops = map({'+': operator.add, '-': operator.sub, '*': operator.mul}.get, tokens[1::2])
 def build(lo, hi):
   if lo == hi:
     return [nums[lo]]
   return [ops[i](a, b)
       for i in xrange(lo, hi)
       for a in build(lo, i)
       for b in build(i + 1, hi)]
 return build(0, len(nums) - 1)
Best_solution:
A recursive Java solution (284 ms)
public class Solution {
  public List<Integer> diffWaysToCompute(String input) {
    List<Integer> ret = new LinkedList<Integer>();
    for (int i=0; i<input.length(); i++) {
      if (input.charAt(i) == '-' ||
        input.charAt(i) == '*' ||
        input.charAt(i) == '+') {
        String part1 = input.substring(0, i);
        String part2 = input.substring(i+1);
        List<Integer> part1Ret = diffWaysToCompute(part1);
        List<Integer> part2Ret = diffWaysToCompute(part2);
        for (Integer p1: part1Ret) {
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for (Integer p2 : part2Ret) {
            int c = 0;
            switch (input.charAt(i)) {
              case '+': c = p1+p2;
                 break;
              case '-': c = p1-p2;
                break;
              case '*': c = p1*p2;
                 break;
            ret.add(c);
        }
      }
    if(ret.size() == 0) {
      ret.add(Integer.valueOf(input));
    }
    return ret;
 }
}
242, Valid Anagram:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (sort and dictionary).
def isAnagram1(self, s, t):
  dic1, dic2 = {}, {}
  for item in s:
    dic1[item] = dic1.get(item, 0) + 1
  for item in t:
    dic2[item] = dic2.get(item, 0) + 1
  return dic1 == dic2
def isAnagram2(self, s, t):
  dic1, dic2 = [0]*26, [0]*26
  for item in s:
    dic1[ord(item)-ord('a')] += 1
  for item in t:
    dic2[ord(item)-ord('a')] += 1
  return dic1 == dic2
def isAnagram3(self, s, t):
  return sorted(s) == sorted(t)
Best_solution:
Accepted Java O(n) solution in 5 lines
public class Solution {
  public boolean isAnagram(String s, String t) {
    int[] alphabet = new int[26];
    for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) alphabet[s.charAt(i) - 'a']++;
    for (int i = 0; i < t.length(); i++) alphabet[t.charAt(i) - 'a']--;
    for (int i : alphabet) if (i!= 0) return false;
    return true;
  }
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}
257,Binary Tree Paths:
Python_solution:
Python solutions (dfs+stack, bfs+queue, dfs recursively).
# dfs + stack
def binaryTreePaths1(self, root):
  if not root:
    return []
  res, stack = [], [(root, "")]
  while stack:
   node, ls = stack.pop()
   if not node.left and not node.right:
      res.append(ls+str(node.val))
   if node.right:
      stack.append((node.right, ls+str(node.val)+"->"))
      stack.append((node.left, ls+str(node.val)+"->"))
  return res
# bfs + queue
def binaryTreePaths2(self, root):
  if not root:
    return []
  res, queue = [], collections.deque([(root, "")])
  while queue:
    node, ls = queue.popleft()
   if not node.left and not node.right:
      res.append(ls+str(node.val))
   if node.left:
      queue.append((node.left, ls+str(node.val)+"->"))
   if node.right:
      queue.append((node.right, ls+str(node.val)+"->"))
  return res
# dfs recursively
def binaryTreePaths(self, root):
  if not root:
   return []
  res = []
  self.dfs(root, "", res)
  return res
def dfs(self, root, ls, res):
  if not root.left and not root.right:
    res.append(ls+str(root.val))
  if root.left:
    self.dfs(root.left, ls+str(root.val)+"->", res)
  if root.right:
    self.dfs(root.right, ls+str(root.val)+"->", res)
Best_solution:
Accepted Java simple solution in 8 lines
public List<String> binaryTreePaths(TreeNode root) {
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List<String> answer = new ArrayList<String>();
 if (root != null) searchBT(root, "", answer);
 return answer;
}
private void searchBT(TreeNode root, String path, List<String> answer) {
 if (root.left == null && root.right == null) answer.add(path + root.val);
 if (root.left!= null) searchBT(root.left, path + root.val + "->", answer);
 if (root.right != null) searchBT(root.right, path + root.val + "->", answer);
}
258,Add Digits:
Python_solution:
3 methods for python with explains
   class Solution(object):
   def addDigits(self, num):
   :type num: int
   :rtype: int
   while(num >= 10):
     temp = 0
     while(num > 0):
       temp += num % 10
       num /= 10
     num = temp
    return num
Best_solution:
Accepted C++ O(1)-time O(1)-space 1-Line Solution with Detail Explanations
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Digital_root#Congruence_formula
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260,Single Number III:

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Python_solution: Easy Python O(n) - O(1) solution
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class Solution(object):
 def singleNumber(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: List[int]
   xor = 0
   a = 0
   b = 0
   for num in nums:
     xor ^= num
   mask = 1
   while(xor&mask == 0):
     mask = mask << 1
    for num in nums:
     if num&mask:
       a ^= num
     else:
```

```
b ^= num
   return [a, b]
Best_solution:
Accepted C++/Java O(n)-time O(1)-space Easy Solution with Detail Explanations
diff == numeric_limits<int>::min()
262,Trips and Users:
Best solution:
Sharing my solution,
select
t.Request_at Day,
round(sum(case when t.Status like 'cancelled_%' then 1 else 0 end)/count(*),2) Rate
from Trips t
inner join Users u
on t.Client_Id = u.Users_Id and u.Banned='No'
where t.Request_at between '2013-10-01' and '2013-10-03'
group by t.Request_at
263,Ugly Number:
Python_solution:
My python solution
def isUgly(self, num):
 :type num: int
 :rtype: bool
 if num <= 0:
   return False
 for x in [2, 3, 5]:
   while num \% x == 0:
     num = num / x
 return num == 1
Best_solution:
2-4 lines, every language
for (int i=2; i<6 && num; i++)
 while (num \% i == 0)
   num /= i;
return num == 1;
264,Ugly Number II:
Python_solution:
My expressive Python solution
def nthUglyNumber(self, n):
 ugly = [1]
 i2, i3, i5 = 0, 0, 0
 while n > 1:
   u2, u3, u5 = 2 * ugly[i2], 3 * ugly[i3], 5 * ugly[i5]
   umin = min((u2, u3, u5))
   if umin == u2:
     i2 += 1
   if umin == u3:
     i3 += 1
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i5 += 1
   ugly.append(umin)
   n -= 1
  return ugly[-1]
Best_solution:
My 16ms C++ DP solution with short explanation
class Solution {
public:
  int nthUglyNumber(int n) {
    if(n <= 0) return false; // get rid of corner cases
   if(n == 1) return true; // base case
   int t2 = 0, t3 = 0, t5 = 0; //pointers for 2, 3, 5
   vector<int> k(n);
   k[0] = 1;
    for(int i = 1; i < n; i ++)
    {
     k[i] = min(k[t2]*2,min(k[t3]*3,k[t5]*5));
     if(k[i] == k[t2]*2) t2++;
     if(k[i] == k[t3]*3) t3++;
     if(k[i] == k[t5]*5) t5++;
   return k[n-1];
 }
};
268, Missing Number:
Python_solution:
1+ lines Ruby, Python, Java, C++
def missing_number(nums)
 (n = nums.size) * (n+1) / 2 - nums.reduce(:+)
end
Best_solution:
4 Line Simple Java Bit Manipulate Solution with Explaination
public int missingNumber(int[] nums) {
 int xor = 0, i = 0;
         for (i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
                  xor = xor ^ i ^ nums[i];
         }
         return xor ^ i;
}
273,Integer to English Words:
Python_solution:
Recursive Python
def numberToWords(self, num):
  to19 = 'One Two Three Four Five Six Seven Eight Nine Ten Eleven Twelve '\
     'Thirteen Fourteen Fifteen Sixteen Seventeen Eighteen Nineteen'.split()
  tens = 'Twenty Thirty Forty Fifty Sixty Seventy Eighty Ninety'.split()
  def words(n):
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if umin == u5:

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if n < 20:
     return to19[n-1:n]
   if n < 100:
     return [tens[n/10-2]] + words(n\%10)
   if n < 1000:
     return [to19[n/100-1]] + ['Hundred'] + words(n%100)
   for p, w in enumerate(('Thousand', 'Million', 'Billion'), 1):
     if n < 1000**(p+1):
       return words(n/1000**p) + [w] + words(n\%1000**p)
 return ' '.join(words(num)) or 'Zero'
Best_solution:
My clean Java solution, very easy to understand
"Ten", "Eleven", "Twelve", "Thirteen", "Fourteen", "Fifteen", "Sixteen", "Seventeen", "Eighteen", "Nineteen"};
private final String[] TENS = {"", "Ten", "Twenty", "Thirty", "Forty", "Fifty", "Sixty", "Seventy", "Eighty", "Ninety"};
private final String[] THOUSANDS = {"", "Thousand", "Million", "Billion"};
public String numberToWords(int num) {
 if (num == 0) return "Zero";
 int i = 0;
 String words = "";
 while (num > 0) {
   if (num % 1000 != 0)
          words = helper(num % 1000) +THOUSANDS[i] + " " + words;
        num /= 1000;
        i++;
 }
 return words.trim();
}
private String helper(int num) {
 if (num == 0)
   return "";
 else if (num < 20)
   return LESS_THAN_20[num] + " ";
 else if (num < 100)
   return TENS[num / 10] + " " + helper(num % 10);
   return LESS_THAN_20[num / 100] + " Hundred " + helper(num % 100);
}
274,H-Index:
Python_solution:
Python O(n \lg n) time with sort, O(n) time with O(n) space
def hIndex(self, citations):
 citations.sort()
 n = len(citations)
 for i in xrange(n):
   if citations[i] >= (n-i):
     return n-i
```

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Best_solution:
My O(n) time solution use Java
public class Solution {
  // 9.3 70 years diaoZhaTian China jiaYou
  public int hIndex(int[] citations) {
   int length = citations.length;
   if (length == 0) {
         return 0;
   }
   int[] array2 = new int[length + 1];
   for (int i = 0; i < length; i++) {
         if (citations[i] > length) {
                   array2[length] += 1;
         } else {
                   array2[citations[i]] += 1;
         }
   }
   int t = 0;
   int result = 0;
   for (int i = length; i >= 0; i--) {
         t = t + array2[i];
         if (t \ge i) {
                   return i;
         }
   }
   return 0;
275,H-Index II:
Python_solution:
O(logN)-time O(1)-space Easy Solution with Detailed Explanations (C++/Java/Python)
index
Best_solution:
Standard binary search
class Solution {
public:
  int hIndex(vector<int>& citations) {
   int left=0, len = citations.size(), right= len-1, mid;
   while(left<=right)
    {
      mid=(left+right)>>1;
      if(citations[mid]== (len-mid)) return citations[mid];
      else if(citations[mid] > (len-mid)) right = mid - 1;
      else left = mid + 1;
   return len - (right+1);
};
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278, First Bad Version:
Python_solution:
1-liner in Ruby / Python
def first_bad_version(n)
(1..n).bsearch { |i| is_bad_version(i) }
end
Best_solution:
O(lgN) simple Java solution
public int firstBadVersion(int n) {
  int start = 1, end = n;
  while (start < end) {
   int mid = start + (end-start) / 2;
   if (!isBadVersion(mid)) start = mid + 1;
   else end = mid;
 }
 return start;
}
279,Perfect Squares:
Python_solution:
Short Python solution using BFS
def numSquares(self, n):
 if n < 2:
   return n
 lst = []
 i = 1
  while i * i \leq n:
   lst.append(i*i)
   i += 1
  cnt = 0
  toCheck = \{n\}
 while to Check:
    cnt += 1
   temp = set()
   for x in toCheck:
     for y in lst:
        if x == y:
          return cnt
        if x < y:
          break
        temp.add(x-y)
   toCheck = temp
  return cnt
Best_solution:
Summary of 4 different solutions (BFS, DP, static DP and mathematics)
class Solution
public:
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int numSquares(int n)
   if (n \le 0)
      return 0;
   // cntPerfectSquares[i] = the least number of perfect square numbers
   // which sum to i. Note that cntPerfectSquares[0] is 0.
   vector<int> cntPerfectSquares(n + 1, INT_MAX);
    cntPerfectSquares[0] = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i \le n; i++)
    {
      // For each i, it must be the sum of some number (i - j*j) and
      // a perfect square number (j*j).
      for (int j = 1; j*j <= i; j++)
      {
        cntPerfectSquares[i] =
          min(cntPerfectSquares[i], cntPerfectSquares[i - j*j] + 1);
      }
   }
   return cntPerfectSquares.back();
 }
};
282, Expression Add Operators:
Python_solution:
Clean Python DFS with comments
def addOperators(self, num, target):
  res, self.target = [], target
  for i in range(1,len(num)+1):
   if i == 1 or (i > 1) and num[0] != "0"): # prevent "00*" as a number
      self.dfs(num[i:], num[:i], int(num[:i]), int(num[:i]), res) # this step put first number in the string
  return res
def dfs(self, num, temp, cur, last, res):
  if not num:
   if cur == self.target:
      res.append(temp)
    return
  for i in range(1, len(num)+1):
   val = num[:i]
   if i == 1 or (i > 1 and num[0] != "0"): # prevent "00*" as a number
      self.dfs(num[i:], temp + "+" + val, cur+int(val), int(val), res)
      self.dfs(num[i:], temp + "-" + val, cur-int(val), -int(val), res)
      self.dfs(num[i:], temp + "*" + val, cur-last+last*int(val), last*int(val), res)\\
Best_solution:
Java Standard Backtrace AC Solutoin, short and clear
public class Solution {
  public List<String> addOperators(String num, int target) {
    List<String> rst = new ArrayList<String>();
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if(num == null || num.length() == 0) return rst;
   helper(rst, "", num, target, 0, 0, 0);
    return rst;
  }
  public void helper(List<String> rst, String path, String num, int target, int pos, long eval, long multed){
    if(pos == num.length()){
     if(target == eval)
        rst.add(path);
     return;
    for(int i = pos; i < num.length(); i++){
      if(i!= pos && num.charAt(pos) == '0') break;
     long cur = Long.parseLong(num.substring(pos, i + 1));
     if(pos == 0){
        helper(rst, path + cur, num, target, i + 1, cur, cur);
      }
      else{
        helper(rst, path + "+" + cur, num, target, i + 1, eval + cur, cur);
        helper(rst, path + "-" + cur, num, target, i + 1, eval -cur, -cur);
        helper(rst, path + "*" + cur, num, target, i + 1, eval - multed + multed * cur, multed * cur );
     }
   }
 }
}
283, Move Zeroes:
Python_solution:
Share my one line python solution
class Solution(object):
  def moveZeroes(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: void Do not return anything, modify nums in-place instead.
   length = len(nums);
   lastIndex = 0;
   for p1 in range(0,length):
     if nums[p1] != 0:
        nums[lastIndex] = nums[p1];
        lastIndex = lastIndex + 1;
   while lastIndex < length:
      nums[lastIndex] = 0;
     lastIndex = lastIndex + 1;
Best_solution:
Simple O(N) Java Solution Using Insert Index
// Shift non-zero values as far forward as possible
// Fill remaining space with zeros
public void moveZeroes(int[] nums) {
  if (nums == null || nums.length == 0) return;
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int insertPos = 0;
  for (int num: nums) {
   if (num!= 0) nums[insertPos++] = num;
  while (insertPos < nums.length) {</pre>
   nums[insertPos++] = 0;
 }
}
284,Peeking Iterator:
Best_solution:
Concise Java Solution
class PeekingIterator implements Iterator<Integer> {
  private Integer next = null;
  private Iterator<Integer> iter;
  public PeekingIterator(Iterator<Integer> iterator) {
   // initialize any member here.
   iter = iterator;
   if (iter.hasNext())
      next = iter.next();
  }
  \slash\hspace{-0.5em} // Returns the next element in the iteration without advancing the iterator.
  public Integer peek() {
   return next;
  }
 // hasNext() and next() should behave the same as in the Iterator interface.
  // Override them if needed.
  @Override
  public Integer next() {
   Integer res = next;
   next = iter.hasNext() ? iter.next() : null;
   return res;
  }
  @Override
  public boolean hasNext() {
    return next != null;
 }
}
287, Find the Duplicate Number:
Python_solution:
Python same solution as #142 Linked List Cycle II
def findDuplicate(self, nums):
  slow = fast = finder = 0
  while True:
   slow = nums[slow]
   fast = nums[nums[fast]]
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if slow == fast:
     while finder != slow:
        finder = nums[finder]
        slow = nums[slow]
      return finder
Best_solution:
My easy understood solution with O(n) time and O(1) space without modifying the array. With clear explanation.
int findDuplicate3(vector<int>& nums)
{
         if (nums.size() > 1)
         {
                   int slow = nums[0];
                   int fast = nums[nums[0]];
                   while (slow != fast)
                   {
                            slow = nums[slow];
                            fast = nums[nums[fast]];
                  }
                   fast = 0;
                   while (fast != slow)
                   {
                            fast = nums[fast];
                            slow = nums[slow];
                   return slow;
         }
         return -1;
}
289,Game of Life:
Python_solution:
Python solution, easy to understand..
def gameOfLife(self, board):
  m,n = len(board), len(board[0])
  for i in range(m):
    for j in range(n):
     if board[i][j] == 0 or board[i][j] == 2:
        if self.nnb(board,i,j) == 3:
          board[i][j] = 2
      else:
        if self.nnb(board,i,j) < 2 or self.nnb(board,i,j) > 3:
          board[i][j] = 3
  for i in range(m):
    for j in range(n):
      if board[i][j] == 2: board[i][j] = 1
      if board[i][j] == 3: board[i][j] = 0
def nnb(self, board, i, j):
  m,n = len(board), len(board[0])
  count = 0
  if i-1 \ge 0 and j-1 \ge 0: count += board[i-1][j-1]%2
  if i-1 >= 0:
                    count += board[i-1][j]%2
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if i-1 \ge 0 and j+1 < n: count += board[i-1][j+1]%2
 if j-1 \ge 0: count += board[i][j-1]%2
 if j+1 < n:
                   count += board[i][j+1]\%2
  if i+1 < m \text{ and } j-1 >= 0: count += board[i+1][j-1]\%2
                   count += board[i+1][j]%2
  if i+1 < m:
 if i+1 < m and j+1 < n: count += board[i+1][j+1]%2
  return count
Best solution:
Easiest JAVA solution with explanation
[2nd bit, 1st bit] = [next state, current state]
- 00 dead (next) <- dead (current)
- 01 dead (next) <- live (current)
- 10 live (next) <- dead (current)
- 11 live (next) <- live (current)
290,Word Pattern:
Python_solution:
Short in Python
def wordPattern(self, pattern, str):
 s = pattern
 t = str.split()
  return map(s.find, s) == map(t.index, t)
Best_solution:
8 lines simple Java
public boolean wordPattern(String pattern, String str) {
  String[] words = str.split(" ");
  if (words.length != pattern.length())
    return false;
  Map index = new HashMap();
  for (Integer i=0; i<words.length; ++i)
   if (index.put(pattern.charAt(i), i) != index.put(words[i], i))
      return false;
  return true;
}
292,Nim Game:
Best_solution:
Theorem: all 4s shall be false
n = 4
295,Find Median from Data Stream:
Python_solution:
Short simple Java/C++/Python, O(\log n) + O(1)
small
Best_solution:
Short simple Java/C++/Python, O(\log n) + O(1)
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297, Serialize and Deserialize Binary Tree:

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Python_solution:
Recursive preorder, Python and C++, O(n)
class Codec:
  def serialize(self, root):
   def doit(node):
     if node:
        vals.append(str(node.val))
        doit(node.left)
        doit(node.right)
      else:
        vals.append('#')
   vals = []
   doit(root)
   return ' '.join(vals)
  def deserialize(self, data):
   def doit():
     val = next(vals)
     if val == '#':
       return None
      node = TreeNode(int(val))
      node.left = doit()
     node.right = doit()
     return node
   vals = iter(data.split())
    return doit()
Best_solution:
Easy to understand Java Solution
public class Codec {
  private static final String spliter = ",";
  private static final String NN = "X";
  // Encodes a tree to a single string.
  public String serialize(TreeNode root) {
    StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
   buildString(root, sb);
    return sb.toString();
  private void buildString(TreeNode node, StringBuilder sb) {
   if (node == null) {
      sb.append(NN).append(spliter);
      sb.append(node.val).append(spliter);
     buildString(node.left, sb);
     buildString(node.right,sb);
   }
  // Decodes your encoded data to tree.
  public TreeNode deserialize(String data) {
    Deque<String> nodes = new LinkedList<>();
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nodes.addAll(Arrays.asList(data.split(spliter)));
   return buildTree(nodes);
 }
 private TreeNode buildTree(Deque<String> nodes) {
   String val = nodes.remove();
   if (val.equals(NN)) return null;
   else {
     TreeNode node = new TreeNode(Integer.valueOf(val));
     node.left = buildTree(nodes);
     node.right = buildTree(nodes);
     return node;
   }
 }
}
299,Bulls and Cows:
Python_solution:
Python 3 lines solution
Counter
Best_solution:
One pass Java solution
300, Longest\ Increasing\ Subsequence:
Python_solution:
Java/Python Binary search O(nlogn) time with explanation
tails
Best_solution:
Short Java solution using DP O(n log n)
public class Solution {
 public int lengthOfLIS(int[] nums) {
   int[] dp = new int[nums.length];
   int len = 0;
   for(int x : nums) {
     int i = Arrays.binarySearch(dp, 0, len, x);
     if(i < 0) i = -(i + 1);
     dp[i] = x;
     if(i == len) len++;
   }
   return len;
 }
}
301, Remove Invalid Parentheses:
Python_solution:
Short Python BFS
eval
Best_solution:
Easy, Short, Concise and Fast Java DFS 3 ms solution
public List<String> removeInvalidParentheses(String s) {
```

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List<String> ans = new ArrayList<>();
  remove(s, ans, 0, 0, new char[]{'(', ')'});
  return ans;
}
public void remove(String s, List<String> ans, int last_i, int last_j, char[] par) {
  for (int stack = 0, i = last_i; i < s.length(); ++i) {
    if (s.charAt(i) == par[0]) stack++;
   if (s.charAt(i) == par[1]) stack--;
   if (stack >= 0) continue;
   for (int j = last_j; j \le i; ++j)
      if (s.charAt(j) == par[1] && (j == last_j || s.charAt(j - 1) != par[1]))
        remove(s.substring(0, j) + s.substring(j + 1, s.length()), ans, i, j, par);
    return;
  }
  String reversed = new StringBuilder(s).reverse().toString();
  if (par[0] == '(') // finished left to right
    remove(reversed, ans, 0, 0, new char[]{')', '('});
  else // finished right to left
   ans.add(reversed);
}
303,Range Sum Query - Immutable:
Python_solution:
5-lines C++, 4-lines Python
accu
Best_solution:
Java simple O(n) init and O(1) query solution
int[] nums;
public NumArray(int[] nums) {
  for(int i = 1; i < nums.length; i++)
   nums[i] += nums[i - 1];
 this.nums = nums;
}
public int sumRange(int i, int j) {
  if(i == 0)
    return nums[j];
 return nums[j] - nums[i - 1];
}
304,Range Sum Query 2D - Immutable:
Python_solution:
Sharing My Python solution
class NumMatrix(object):
   def __init__(self, matrix):
     if matrix is None or not matrix:
     n, m = len(matrix), len(matrix[0])
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self.sums = [[0 \text{ for } j \text{ in } xrange(m+1)] \text{ for } i \text{ in } xrange(n+1)]
            for i in xrange(1, n+1):
                  for j in xrange(1, m+1):
                       self.sums[i][j] = matrix[i-1][j-1] + self.sums[i][j-1] + self.sums[i-1][j] - self.sums[i-1][j-1]
        def sumRegion(self, row1, col1, row2, col2):
            row1, col1, row2, col2 = row1+1, col1+1, row2+1, col2+1
            return\ self.sums[row2][col2] - self.sums[row2][col1-1] - self.sums[row1-1][col2] + self.sums[
1][col1-1]
Best_solution:
Clean C++ Solution and Explaination - O(mn) space with O(1) time
sums[row+1][col+1]
306,Additive Number:
Python_solution:
Python solution
def isAdditiveNumber(self, num):
     n = len(num)
     for i, j in itertools.combinations(range(1, n), 2):
         a, b = num[:i], num[i:j]
         if b != str(int(b)):
               continue
         while j < n:
               c = str(int(a) + int(b))
               if not num.startswith(c, j):
                    break
               j += len(c)
               a, b = b, c
         if j == n:
               return True
     return False
Best solution:
Java Recursive and Iterative Solutions
307, Range Sum Query - Mutable:
Python_solution:
"0 lines" Python
class NumArray(object):
     def __init__(self, nums):
         self.update = nums.__setitem__
         self.sumRange = lambda i, j: sum(nums[i:j+1])
Best_solution:
17 ms Java solution with segment tree
public class NumArray {
     class SegmentTreeNode {
          int start, end;
          SegmentTreeNode left, right;
          int sum;
```

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public SegmentTreeNode(int start, int end) {
    this.start = start;
    this.end = end;
    this.left = null;
    this.right = null;
    this.sum = 0;
 }
}
SegmentTreeNode root = null;
public NumArray(int[] nums) {
  root = buildTree(nums, 0, nums.length-1);
private SegmentTreeNode buildTree(int[] nums, int start, int end) {
  if (start > end) {
    return null;
  } else {
    SegmentTreeNode ret = new SegmentTreeNode(start, end);
    if (start == end) {
      ret.sum = nums[start];
    } else {
      int mid = start + (end - start) / 2;
      ret.left = buildTree(nums, start, mid);
      ret.right = buildTree(nums, mid + 1, end);
      ret.sum = ret.left.sum + ret.right.sum;
    }
    return ret;
void update(int i, int val) {
  update(root, i, val);
void update(SegmentTreeNode root, int pos, int val) {
  if (root.start == root.end) {
   root.sum = val;
  } else {
    int mid = root.start + (root.end - root.start) / 2;
    if (pos \le mid) {
       update(root.left, pos, val);
    } else {
       update(root.right, pos, val);
    root.sum = root.left.sum + root.right.sum;
 }
}
public int sumRange(int i, int j) {
  return sumRange(root, i, j);
```

```
public int sumRange(SegmentTreeNode root, int start, int end) {
    if (root.end == end && root.start == start) {
      return root.sum;
   } else {
     int mid = root.start + (root.end - root.start) / 2;
     if (end <= mid) {
        return sumRange(root.left, start, end);
     } else if (start >= mid+1) {
        return sumRange(root.right, start, end);
        return sumRange(root.right, mid+1, end) + sumRange(root.left, start, mid);
   }
 }
}
309,Best Time to Buy and Sell Stock with Cooldown:
Python_solution:
4-line Python solution, 52 ms
notHold (stock)
Best_solution:
Share my thinking process
buy
310, Minimum Height Trees:
Python_solution:
Share my Accepted BFS Python Code with O(n) Time
def findMinHeightTrees(self, n, edges):
 :type n: int
 :type edges: List[List[int]]
  :rtype: List[int]
  .....
 if n == 1: return [0]
  neighbors = collections.defaultdict(list)
  degrees = collections.defaultdict(int)
  for u, v in edges:
   neighbors[u].append(v)
   neighbors[v].append(u)
   degrees[u] += 1
   degrees[v] += 1
  # First find the leaves
  preLevel, unvisited = [], set(range(n))
  for i in range(n):
   if degrees[i] == 1: preLevel.append(i)
  while len(unvisited) > 2:
   thisLevel = []
   for u in preLevel:
      unvisited.remove(u)
     for v in neighbors[u]:
```

```
if v in unvisited:
          degrees[v] = 1
          if degrees[v] == 1: thisLevel += [v]
    preLevel = thisLevel
  return preLevel
Best_solution:
Share some thoughts
n
312,Burst Balloons:
Python_solution:
Python DP N<sup>3</sup> Solutions
dp[i][j] = \max(dp[i][j], nums[i] * nums[k] * nums[j] + dp[i][k] + dp[k][j]) # i < k < j
Best_solution:
Share some analysis and explanations
nums[i-1]*nums[i]*nums[i+1]
313,Super Ugly Number:
Python_solution:
Python, generators on a heap
heapq.merge
Best_solution:
Java three methods, 23ms, 36 ms, 58ms(with heap), performance explained
public int nthSuperUglyNumberI(int n, int[] primes) {
  int[] ugly = new int[n];
  int[] idx = new int[primes.length];
  ugly[0] = 1;
  for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
   //find next
   ugly[i] = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
   for (int j = 0; j < primes.length; <math>j++)
     ugly[i] = Math.min(ugly[i], primes[j] * ugly[idx[j]]);
   //slip duplicate
   for (int j = 0; j < primes.length; <math>j++) {
     while (primes[j] * ugly[idx[j]] \le ugly[i]) idx[j]++;
   }
  }
  return ugly[n - 1];
}
315,Count of Smaller Numbers After Self:
Python_solution:
3 ways (Segment Tree, Binary Indexed Tree, Binary Search Tree) clean python code
class SegmentTreeNode(object):
  def __init__(self, val, start, end):
   self.val = val
   self.start = start
```

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self.end = end
   self.children = []
class SegmentTree(object):
  def __init__(self, n):
   self.root = self.build(0, n - 1)
  def build(self, start, end):
   if start > end:
      return
    root = SegmentTreeNode(0, start, end)
   if start == end:
      return root
   mid = start + end >> 1
    root.children = filter(None, [
      self.build(start, end)
      for start, end in ((start, mid), (mid + 1, end))])
    return root
  def update(self, i, val, root=None):
    root = root or self.root
   if i < root.start or i > root.end:
      return root.val
   if i == root.start == root.end:
      root.val += val
      return root.val
    root.val = sum([self.update(i, val, c) for c in root.children])
    return root.val
  def sum(self, start, end, root=None):
    root = root or self.root
   if end < root.start or start > root.end:
      return 0
   if start <= root.start and end >= root.end:
      return root.val
    return sum([self.sum(start, end, c) for c in root.children])
class Solution(object):
  def countSmaller(self, nums):
   hashTable = {v: i for i, v in enumerate(sorted(set(nums)))}
   tree, r = SegmentTree(len(hashTable)), []
   for i in xrange(len(nums) - 1, -1, -1):
      r.append(tree.sum(0, hashTable[nums[i]] - 1))
      tree.update(hashTable[nums[i]], 1)
```

```
return r[::-1]
Best_solution:
9ms short Java BST solution get answer when building BST
        1(0, 1)
           6(3, 1)
          2(0, 2)
             3(0, 1)
316,Remove Duplicate Letters:
Python_solution:
Some Python solutions
def removeDuplicateLetters(self, s):
  for c in sorted(set(s)):
    suffix = s[s.index(c):]
    if set(suffix) == set(s):
      return c + self.removeDuplicateLetters(suffix.replace(c, "))
  return "
Best_solution:
A short O(n) recursive greedy solution
public class Solution {
  public String removeDuplicateLetters(String s) {
    int[] cnt = new int[26];
    int pos = 0; // the position for the smallest s[i]
    for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) cnt[s.charAt(i) - 'a']++;
    for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) {
      if (s.charAt(i) < s.charAt(pos)) pos = i;</pre>
      if (--cnt[s.charAt(i) - 'a'] == 0) break;
    }
    return s.length() == 0 ? "": s.charAt(pos) + removeDuplicateLetters(s.substring(pos + 1).replaceAll("" +
s.charAt(pos), ""));
 }
}
318, Maximum Product of Word Lengths:
Python_solution:
Python solution, beats 99.67%
class Solution(object):
  def maxProduct(self, words):
    d = \{\}
    for w in words:
      mask = 0
      for c in set(w):
        mask = (1 << (ord(c) - 97))
      d[mask] = max(d.get(mask, 0), len(w))
    return max([d[x] * d[y] \text{ for } x \text{ in } d \text{ for } y \text{ in } d \text{ if not } x \& y] \text{ or } [0])
Best_solution:
```

JAVA-----Easy Version To Understand!!!!!!!!!!!!!

```
public static int maxProduct(String[] words) {
         if (words == null || words.length == 0)
                   return 0;
         int len = words.length;
         int[] value = new int[len];
         for (int i = 0; i < len; i++) {
                  String tmp = words[i];
                   value[i] = 0;
                   for (int j = 0; j < tmp.length(); j++) {
                            value[i] |= 1 << (tmp.charAt(j) - 'a');</pre>
         int maxProduct = 0;
         for (int i = 0; i < len; i++)
                   for (int j = i + 1; j < len; j++) {
                            if ((value[i] & value[j]) == 0 && (words[i].length() * words[j].length() >
maxProduct))
                                      maxProduct = words[i].length() * words[j].length();
                  }
         return maxProduct;
}
319,Bulb Switcher:
Best_solution:
Math solution..
int bulbSwitch(int n) {
  return sqrt(n);
}
321,Create Maximum Number:
Python_solution:
Short Python / Ruby / C++
def maxNumber(self, nums1, nums2, k):
  def prep(nums, k):
   drop = len(nums) - k
   out = []
   for num in nums:
     while drop and out and out[-1] < num:
        out.pop()
        drop -= 1
      out.append(num)
    return out[:k]
  def merge(a, b):
    return [max(a, b).pop(0) for _ in a+b]
  return max(merge(prep(nums1, i), prep(nums2, k-i))
       for i in range(k+1)
       if i \le len(nums1) and k-i \le len(nums2)
```

$Best_solution:$

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Share my greedy solution
public int[] maxNumber(int[] nums1, int[] nums2, int k) {
  int n = nums1.length;
  int m = nums2.length;
  int[] ans = new int[k];
  for (int i = Math.max(0, k - m); i \le k \& i \le n; i \le k) {
   int[] candidate = merge(maxArray(nums1, i), maxArray(nums2, k - i), k);
   if (greater(candidate, 0, ans, 0)) ans = candidate;
  }
  return ans;
private int[] merge(int[] nums1, int[] nums2, int k) {
  int[] ans = new int[k];
  for (int i = 0, j = 0, r = 0; r < k; ++r)
   ans[r] = greater(nums1, i, nums2, j) ? nums1[i++] : nums2[j++];
  return ans;
}
public boolean greater(int[] nums1, int i, int[] nums2, int j) {
  while (i < nums1.length && j < nums2.length && nums1[i] == nums2[j]) {
   i++;
   j++;
  return j == nums2.length || (i < nums1.length && nums1[i] > nums2[j]);
public int[] maxArray(int[] nums, int k) {
 int n = nums.length;
  int[] ans = new int[k];
  for (int i = 0, j = 0; i < n; ++i) {
   while (n - i + j > k \&\& j > 0 \&\& ans[j - 1] < nums[i]) j--;
   if (j < k) ans[j++] = nums[i];
  }
  return ans;
}
322,Coin Change:
Python_solution:
Fast Python BFS Solution
class Solution(object):
  def coinChange(self, coins, amount):
   :type coins: List[int]
   :type amount: int
   :rtype: int
   if amount == 0:
      return 0
   value1 = [0]
   value2 = []
   nc = 0
   visited = [False]*(amount+1)
   visited[0] = True
   while value1:
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nc += 1
      for v in value1:
        for coin in coins:
          newval = v + coin
          if newval == amount:
            return nc
          elif newval > amount:
            continue
          elif not visited [newval]:
            visited[newval] = True
            value2.append(newval)
      value1, value2 = value2, []
    return -1
Best_solution:
[C++] O(n*amount) time O(amount) space DP solution
class Solution {
public:
  int coinChange(vector<int>& coins, int amount) {
    int Max = amount + 1;
    vector<int> dp(amount + 1, Max);
    dp[0] = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i \le amount; i++) {
      for (int j = 0; j < coins.size(); j++) {
        if (coins[j] \le i) {
          dp[i] = min(dp[i], dp[i - coins[j]] + 1);
        }
      }
    return dp[amount] > amount ? -1 : dp[amount];
};
324,Wiggle Sort II:
Python_solution:
3 lines Python, with Explanation / Proof
def wiggleSort(self, nums):
  nums.sort()
  half = len(nums[::2])
  nums[::2], nums[1::2] = nums[:half][::-1], nums[half:][::-1]
Best_solution:
O(n)+O(1) after median --- Virtual Indexing
void wiggleSort(vector<int>& nums) {
  int n = nums.size();
  // Find a median.
  auto midptr = nums.begin() + n / 2;
  nth_element(nums.begin(), midptr, nums.end());
  int mid = *midptr;
  // Index-rewiring.
  #define A(i) nums[(1+2*(i)) % (n|1)]
```

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// 3-way-partition-to-wiggly in O(n) time with O(1) space.
 int i = 0, j = 0, k = n - 1;
 while (j \le k) {
   if(A(j) > mid)
     swap(A(i++), A(j++));
   else if (A(j) < mid)
     swap(A(j), A(k--));
   else
     j++;
 }
326,Power of Three:
Python_solution:
Python O(1) Solution 96.6%
class Solution(object):
 def isPowerOfThree(self, n):
   return n > 0 and 1162261467 % n == 0
Best_solution:
1 line java solution without loop / recursion
public class Solution {
public boolean isPowerOfThree(int n) {
 // 1162261467 is 3^19, 3^20 is bigger than int
 return ( n>0 && 1162261467%n==0);
}
327,Count of Range Sum:
Best_solution:
Share my solution
S[i]
328,0dd Even Linked List:
Python_solution:
Clear Python Solution
def oddEvenList(self, head):
 dummy1 = odd = ListNode(0)
 dummy2 = even = ListNode(0)
 while head:
   odd.next = head
   even.next = head.next
   odd = odd.next
   even = even.next
   head = head.next.next if even else None
 odd.next = dummy2.next
 return dummy1.next
Best_solution:
Simple O(N) time, O(1), space Java solution.
public class Solution {
public ListNode oddEvenList(ListNode head) {
 if (head != null) {
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ListNode odd = head, even = head.next, evenHead = even;
   while (even != null && even.next != null) {
     odd.next = odd.next.next;
     even.next = even.next.next;
     odd = odd.next;
     even = even.next;
   }
   odd.next = evenHead;
 return head;
}}
329,Longest Increasing Path in a Matrix:
Python_solution:
Python solution, memoization dp, 288ms
dp
Best_solution:
15ms Concise Java Solution
DFS
330,Patching Array:
Python_solution:
Simple 9-line Python Solution
class Solution(object):
 def minPatches(self, nums, n):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :type n: int
   :rtype: int
   miss, i, added = 1, 0, 0
   while miss <= n:
     if i < len(nums) and nums[i] <= miss:
       miss += nums[i]
       i += 1
     else:
       miss += miss
       added += 1
   return added
Best_solution:
Solution + explanation
int minPatches(vector<int>& nums, int n) {
 long miss = 1, added = 0, i = 0;
 while (miss \leq n) {
   if (i < nums.size() && nums[i] <= miss) {
     miss += nums[i++];
   } else {
     miss += miss;
     added++;
   }
 }
```

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return added;
331, Verify Preorder Serialization of a Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
The simplest python solution with explanation (no stack, no recursion)
class Solution(object):
  def isValidSerialization(self, preorder):
   :type preorder: str
   :rtype: bool
    # remember how many empty slots we have
    # non-null nodes occupy one slot but create two new slots
    # null nodes occupy one slot
   p = preorder.split(',')
    #initially we have one empty slot to put the root in it
   slot = 1
    for node in p:
      # no empty slot to put the current node
     if slot == 0:
        return False
      # a null node?
     if node == '#':
        # ocuppy slot
        slot -= 1
      else:
        # create new slot
        slot += 1
    #we don't allow empty slots at the end
   return slot==0
Best_solution:
7 lines Easy Java Solution
332,Reconstruct Itinerary:
Python_solution:
Short Ruby / Python / Java / C++
def find_itinerary(tickets)
tickets = tickets.sort.reverse.group_by(&:first)
route = []
 visit = -> airport {
 visit[tickets[airport].pop()[1]] while (tickets[airport] || []).any?
  route << airport
 }
 visit["JFK"]
 route.reverse
```

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Best_solution:
Short Ruby / Python / Java / C++
def find_itinerary(tickets)
tickets = tickets.sort.reverse.group_by(&:first)
 route = []
 visit = -> airport {
 visit[tickets[airport].pop()[1]] while (tickets[airport] || []).any?
  route << airport
 visit["JFK"]
 route.reverse
end
334,Increasing Triplet Subsequence:
Python_solution:
Python Easy O(n) Solution
defincreasingTriplet(nums):
  first = second = float('inf')
  for n in nums:
    if n <= first:
      first = n
    elif n <= second:
      second = n
    else:
      return True
  return False
Best_solution:
Clean and short, with comments, C++
bool increasingTriplet(vector<int>& nums) {
  int c1 = INT_MAX, c2 = INT_MAX;
  for (int x: nums) {
    if (x \le c1) {
      c1 = x;
                   // c1 is min seen so far (it's a candidate for 1st element)
    } else if (x \le c2) { // here when x > c1, i.e. x might be either c2 or c3
      c2 = x;
                   // x is better than the current c2, store it
                   // here when we have/had c1 < c2 already and x > c2
    } else {
      return true; // the increasing subsequence of 3 elements exists
   }
  }
 return false;
}
335,Self Crossing:
Python_solution:
Another python...
def isSelfCrossing(self, x):
  return any (d >= b > 0 \text{ and } (a >= c \text{ or } a >= c - e >= 0 \text{ and } f >= d - b)
        for a, b, c, d, e, f in ((x[i:i+6] + [0] * 6)[:6]
                     for i in xrange(len(x))))
```

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Best_solution:
Java Oms with explanation
// Categorize the self-crossing scenarios, there are 3 of them:
// 1. Fourth line crosses first line and works for fifth line crosses second line and so on...
// 2. Fifth line meets first line and works for the lines after
// 3. Sixth line crosses first line and works for the lines after
public class Solution {
  public boolean isSelfCrossing(int[] x) {
   int l = x.length;
   if(l <= 3) return false;
    for(int i = 3; i < l; i++){
      if(x[i] >= x[i-2] \&\& x[i-1] <= x[i-3]) return true; //Fourth line crosses first line and onward
      if(i >= 4)
      {
        if(x[i-1] == x[i-3] \& x[i] + x[i-4] >= x[i-2]) return true; // Fifth line meets first line and onward
      if(i >= 5)
      {
        if(x[i-2] - x[i-4] >= 0 && x[i] >= x[i-2] - x[i-4] && x[i-1] >= x[i-3] - x[i-5] && x[i-1] <= x[i-3]) return true;
// Sixth line crosses first line and onward
      }
   }
   return false;
 }
}
336, Palindrome Pairs:
Python_solution:
Python solution~
  wordict = {}
  res = []
  for i in range(len(words)):
    wordict[words[i]] = i
  for i in range(len(words)):
    for j in range(len(words[i])+1):
      tmp1 = words[i][:j]
      tmp2 = words[i][j:]
      if tmp1[::-1] in wordict and wordict[tmp1[::-1]]!=i and tmp2 == tmp2[::-1]:
        res.append([i,wordict[tmp1[::-1]]])
      if j!=0 \ and \ tmp2[::-1] in \ wordict \ and \ wordict[tmp2[::-1]]!=i \ and \ tmp1 == tmp1[::-1]:
        res.append([wordict[tmp2[::-1]],i])
  return res
Best_solution:
150 ms 45 lines JAVA solution
public List<List<Integer>> palindromePairs(String[] words) {
  List<List<Integer>> ret = new ArrayList<>();
  if (words == null || words.length < 2) return ret;
  Map<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<String, Integer>();
  for (int i=0; i<words.length; i++) map.put(words[i], i);
  for (int i=0; i<words.length; i++) {
   // System.out.println(words[i]);
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for (int j=0; j<=words[i].length(); j++) { // notice it should be "j <= words[i].length()"
      String str1 = words[i].substring(0, j);
      String str2 = words[i].substring(j);
      if (isPalindrome(str1)) {
        String str2rvs = new StringBuilder(str2).reverse().toString();
        if (map.containsKey(str2rvs) && map.get(str2rvs) != i) {
          List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
          list.add(map.get(str2rvs));
          list.add(i);
          ret.add(list);
          // System.out.printf("isPal(str1): %s\n", list.toString());
     if (isPalindrome(str2)) {
        String str1rvs = new StringBuilder(str1).reverse().toString();
        // check "str.length() != 0" to avoid duplicates
        if (map.containsKey(str1rvs) && map.get(str1rvs) != i && str2.length()!=0) {
          List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
          list.add(i);
          list.add(map.get(str1rvs));
          ret.add(list);
          // System.out.printf("isPal(str2): %s\n", list.toString());
        }
     }
   }
  return ret;
}
private boolean isPalindrome(String str) {
  int left = 0;
  int right = str.length() - 1;
  while (left <= right) {
   if (str.charAt(left++)!= str.charAt(right--)) return false;
 }
  return true;
}
337, House Robber III:
Python_solution:
C++, JAVA, PYTHON & explanation
f1(node)
Best_solution:
Step by step tackling of the problem
338,Counting Bits:
Python_solution:
Simple Python Solution
def countBits(self, num):
   :type num: int
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:rtype: List[int]
   iniArr = [0]
   if num > 0:
     amountToAdd = 1
     while len(iniArr) < num + 1:
        iniArr.extend([x+1 for x in iniArr])
    return iniArr[0:num+1]
Best_solution:
Three-Line Java Solution
public int[] countBits(int num) {
  int[] f = new int[num + 1];
  for (int i=1; i<=num; i++) f[i] = f[i >> 1] + (i \& 1);
  return f;
}
341,Flatten Nested List Iterator:
Python_solution:
Real iterator in Python, Java, C++
hasNext
Best_solution:
Simple Java solution using a stack with explanation
public class NestedIterator implements Iterator<Integer> {
  Stack<NestedInteger> stack = new Stack<>();
  public NestedIterator(List<NestedInteger> nestedList) {
   for(int i = nestedList.size() - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
      stack.push(nestedList.get(i));
   }
  }
  @Override
  public Integer next() {
    return stack.pop().getInteger();
  }
  @Override
  public boolean hasNext() {
   while(!stack.isEmpty()) {
      NestedInteger curr = stack.peek();
     if(curr.isInteger()) {
        return true;
     }
      stack.pop();
      for(int i = curr.getList().size() - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
        stack.push(curr.getList().get(i));\\
   return false;
}
```

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342,Power of Four:
Python_solution:
Python one line solution with explanations
def isPowerOfFour(self, num):
    return num!= 0 and num &(num-1) == 0 and num & 1431655765== num
Best solution:
Java 1-line (cheating for the purpose of not using loops)
  public boolean isPowerOfFour(int num) {
    return num > 0 && (num&(num-1)) == 0 && (num & 0x55555555) != 0;
   //0x5555555 is to get rid of those power of 2 but not power of 4
   //so that the single 1 bit always appears at the odd position
  }
343,Integer Break:
Python_solution:
Python solution (40ms) with explanation
class Solution(object):
  def integerBreak(self, n):
   :type n: int
    :rtype: int
   if n == 2:
     return 1
   if n == 3:
     return 2
   list_3 = [3] * (n/3) # generate a list of 3
   mod_3 = n\%3
   if mod_3 == 1: # if a 1 is left, then add it to the first element to get a 4
     list_3[0] += 1
   if mod_3 == 2: # if a 2 is left, then put it into the list
     list_3.append(2)
    return reduce(lambda a, b: a*b, list_3)
Best_solution:
Why factor 2 or 3? The math behind this problem.
None
344, Reverse String:
Python_solution:
Python solution
 class Solution(object):
    def reverseString(self, s):
      :type s: str
      :rtype: str
      return s[::-1]
Best_solution:
[JAVA] Simple and Clean with Explanations [6 Solutions]
public class Solution {
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public String reverseString(String s) {
    char[] word = s.toCharArray();
   int i = 0;
   int j = s.length() - 1;
   while (i < j) {
     char temp = word[i];
     word[i] = word[j];
     word[j] = temp;
     i++;
     j--;
    return new String(word);
}
345,Reverse Vowels of a String:
Python_solution:
1-2 lines Python/Ruby
def reverse_vowels(s)
vowels = s.scan(/[aeiou]/i)
s.gsub(/[aeiou]/i) { vowels.pop }
Best_solution:
Java Standard Two Pointer Solution
public class Solution {
public String reverseVowels(String s) {
  if(s == null || s.length()==0) return s;
  String vowels = "aeiouAEIOU";
  char[] chars = s.toCharArray();
  int start = 0;
  int end = s.length()-1;
  while(start<end){
   while(start<end && !vowels.contains(chars[start]+"")){</pre>
     start++;
   }
   while(start<end && !vowels.contains(chars[end]+"")){</pre>
     end--;
   }
    char temp = chars[start];
    chars[start] = chars[end];
    chars[end] = temp;
   start++;
   end--;
  return new String(chars);
```

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347,Top K Frequent Elements:
Python_solution:
1-line Python Solution using Counter with explanation
import collections
class Solution(object):
  def topKFrequent(self, nums, k):
    :type nums: List[int]
    :type k: int
    :rtype: List[int]
    # Use Counter to extract the top k frequent elements
    # most_common(k) return a list of tuples, where the first item of the tuple is the element,
    # and the second item of the tuple is the count
    # Thus, the built-in zip function could be used to extract the first item from the tuples
    return zip(*collections.Counter(nums).most_common(k))[0]
Best_solution:
Java O(n) Solution - Bucket Sort
public List<Integer> topKFrequent(int[] nums, int k) {
         List<Integer>[] bucket = new List[nums.length + 1];
         Map<Integer, Integer> frequencyMap = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
         for (int n: nums) {
                  frequencyMap.put(n, frequencyMap.getOrDefault(n, 0) + 1);
         }
         for (int key : frequencyMap.keySet()) {
                  int frequency = frequencyMap.get(key);
                  if (bucket[frequency] == null) {
                            bucket[frequency] = new ArrayList<>();
                  bucket[frequency].add(key);
         }
         List<Integer> res = new ArrayList<>();
         for (int pos = bucket.length - 1; pos \geq 0 && res.size() < k; pos--) {
                  if (bucket[pos] != null) {
                            res.addAll(bucket[pos]);
         }
         return res;
}
349,Intersection of Two Arrays:
Python_solution:
Python code, 3 lines using set
class Solution(object):
defintersection(self, nums1, nums2):
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:type nums1: List[int]
  :type nums2: List[int]
  :rtype: List[int]
  nums1=set(nums1)
  nums2=set(nums2)
  return list(nums1&nums2)
Best solution:
Three Java Solutions
public class Solution {
  public int[] intersection(int[] nums1, int[] nums2) {
    Set<Integer> set = new HashSet<>();
    Set<Integer> intersect = new HashSet<>();
    for (int i = 0; i < nums1.length; i++) {
      set.add(nums1[i]);
   for (int i = 0; i < nums2.length; i++) {
     if (set.contains(nums2[i])) {
        intersect.add(nums2[i]);
     }
   int[] result = new int[intersect.size()];
   int i = 0;
    for (Integer num: intersect) {
     result[i++] = num;
   return result;
 }
}
350,Intersection of Two Arrays II:
Python_solution:
2 lines in Python
from collections import Counter
class Solution(object):
  defintersect(self, nums1, nums2):
    c1, c2 = Counter(nums1), Counter(nums2)
    return sum([[num] * min(c1[num], c2[num]) for num in c1 & c2], [])
Best_solution:
Solution to 3rd follow-up question
None
352,Data Stream as Disjoint Intervals:
Python_solution:
Share my python solution using heap
class SummaryRanges(object):
 def __init__(self):
 self.intervals = []
 def addNum(self, val):
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heapq.heappush(self.intervals, (val, Interval(val, val)))
   def getIntervals(self):
     stack = []
     while self.intervals:
         idx, cur = heapq.heappop(self.intervals)
         if not stack:
              stack.append((idx, cur))
         else:
               _, prev = stack[-1]
              if prev.end + 1 >= cur.start:
                     prev.end = max(prev.end, cur.end)
               else:
                    stack.append((idx, cur))
     self.intervals = stack
     return list(map(lambda x: x[1], stack))
Best_solution:
Java solution using TreeMap, real O(logN) per adding.
public class SummaryRanges {
     TreeMap<Integer, Interval> tree;
     public SummaryRanges() {
         tree = new TreeMap<>();
     }
     public void addNum(int val) {
         if(tree.containsKey(val)) return;
         Integer l = tree.lowerKey(val);
         Integer h = tree.higherKey(val);
         if(l!= null && h!= null && tree.get(l).end + 1 == val && h == val + 1) {
              tree.get(l).end = tree.get(h).end;
              tree.remove(h);
         } else if(l != null && tree.get(l).end + 1 >= val) {
               tree.get(l).end = Math.max(tree.get(l).end, val);
         ext{ } 
               tree.put(val, new Interval(val, tree.get(h).end));
               tree.remove(h);
         } else {
              tree.put(val, new Interval(val, val));
         }
     }
    public List<Interval> getIntervals() {
          return new ArrayList<>(tree.values());
    }
}
354,Russian Doll Envelopes:
Python_solution:
Python O(nlogn) O(n) solution, beats 97%, with explanation
class Solution(object):
     def maxEnvelopes(self, envs):
         def liss(envs):
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def lmip(envs, tails, k):
        b, e = 0, len(tails) - 1
        while b \le e:
          m = (b + e) >> 1
          if envs[tails[m]][1] \geq= k[1]:
             e = m - 1
          else:
             b = m + 1
        return b
      tails = []
      for i, env in enumerate(envs):
        idx = lmip(envs, tails, env)
        if idx >= len(tails):
          tails.append(i)
        else:
          tails[idx] = i
      return len(tails)
    def f(x, y):
      return -1 if (x[0] < y[0] \text{ or } x[0] == y[0] \text{ and } x[1] > y[1]) \text{ else } 1
    envs.sort(cmp=f)
    return liss(envs)
# Runtime: 100ms
Best_solution:
Java NLogN Solution with Explanation
public int maxEnvelopes(int[][] envelopes) {
  if(envelopes == null || envelopes.length == 0
   || envelopes[0] == null || envelopes[0].length != 2)
    return 0;
  Arrays.sort(envelopes, new Comparator<int[]>(){
    public int compare(int[] arr1, int[] arr2){
      if(arr1[0] == arr2[0])
        return arr2[1] - arr1[1];
      else
        return arr1[0] - arr2[0];
   }
  });
  int dp[] = new int[envelopes.length];
  int len = 0;
  for(int[] envelope : envelopes){
    int index = Arrays.binarySearch(dp, 0, len, envelope[1]);
    if(index < 0)
      index = -(index + 1);
    dp[index] = envelope[1];
    if(index == len)
      len++;
  return len;
```

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}
357, Count Numbers with Unique Digits:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution, 90%
class Solution(object):
  def countNumbersWithUniqueDigits(self, n):
    :type n: int
    :rtype: int
    choices = [9, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
    ans, product = 1, 1
    for i in range(n if n \le 10 else 10):
      product *= choices[i]
      ans += product
    return ans
Best_solution:
JAVA DP O(1) solution.
 public int countNumbersWithUniqueDigits(int n) {
    if (n == 0) return 1;
    int res = 10;
    int uniqueDigits = 9;
    int availableNumber = 9;
    while (n-->1 \&\& availableNumber>0) {
      uniqueDigits = uniqueDigits * availableNumber;
      res += uniqueDigits;
      availableNumber--;
    }
    return res;
365,Water and Jug Problem:
Python_solution:
A little explanation on GCD method. C++/Java/Python
if x and y are coprime, then we can and only can reach every integer z in [0, x + y]. (1)
Best_solution:
Math solution - Java solution
public boolean canMeasureWater(int x, int y, int z) {
  //limit brought by the statement that water is finallly in one or both buckets
  if(x + y < z) return false;
  //case x or y is zero
  if(x == z || y == z || x + y == z) return true;
  //get GCD, then we can use the property of Bézout's identity
  return z\%GCD(x, y) == 0;
}
```

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public int GCD(int a, int b){
  while(b != 0){
   int temp = b;
   b = a\%b;
   a = temp;
 return a;
}
367, Valid Perfect Square:
Python_solution:
Python solution using Newton's method
class Solution(object):
  def isPerfectSquare(self, num):
   :type num: int
   :rtype: bool
   if num < 0: return False
   if num <= 1: return True
   n = num/2 \# start guessing using n = num/2
   while n*n!= num:
      inc = (num-n*n)/(2*n)
      n += inc
      if -1 <= inc <= 1: break
   if n*n < num: n+=1
   if n*n > num: n-=1
   return n*n == num
Best_solution:
A square number is 1+3+5+7+..., JAVA code
public boolean isPerfectSquare(int num) {
  int i = 1;
  while (num > 0) {
    num -= i;
    i += 2;
  }
  return num == 0;
}
368,Largest Divisible Subset:
Python_solution:
4 lines in Python
def largestDivisibleSubset(self, nums):
  S = \{-1: set()\}
  for x in sorted(nums):
    S[x] = max((S[d] \text{ for d in } S \text{ if } x \% d == 0), \text{ key=len}) | \{x\}
  return list(max(S.values(), key=len))
```

Best_solution:

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C++ Solution with Explanations
class Solution {
public:
  vector<int> largestDivisibleSubset(vector<int>& nums) {
   sort(nums.begin(), nums.end());
   vector<int> T(nums.size(), 0);
   vector<int> parent(nums.size(), 0);
   int m = 0;
   int mi = 0;
    // for(int i = 0; i < nums.size(); ++i) // if extending by larger elements
    for(int i = nums.size() - 1; i >= 0; --i) // iterate from end to start since it's easier to track the answer index
    {
      // for(int j = i; j \ge 0; --j) // if extending by larger elements
      for(int j = i; j < nums.size(); ++j)
        // if(nums[i] \% nums[j] == 0 \&\& T[i] < 1 + T[j]) // if extending by larger elements
        // check every a[j] that is larger than a[i]
        if(nums[j] \% nums[i] == 0 \&\& T[i] < 1 + T[j])
          // if a[j] mod a[i] == 0, it means T[j] can form a larger subset by putting a[i] into T[j]
          T[i] = 1 + T[j];
          parent[i] = j;
          if(T[i] > m)
            m = T[i];
            mi = i;
        }
      }
   vector<int> ret;
   for(int i = 0; i < m; ++i)
      ret.push_back(nums[mi]);
      mi = parent[mi];
   //sort(ret.begin(), ret.end()); // if we go by extending larger ends, the largest "answer" element will come
first since the candidate element we observe will become larger and larger as i increases in the outermost "for"
   // alternatively, we can sort nums in decreasing order obviously.
    return ret;
};
371,Sum of Two Integers:
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Python_solution:
Python solution with no "+-*/%", completely bit manipulation guaranteed
class Solution(object):
  def getSum(self, a, b):
   :type a: int
   :type b: int
   :rtype: int
   # 32 bits integer max
   MAX = 0x7FFFFFFF
   # 32 bits interger min
   MIN = 0x800000000
   # mask to get last 32 bits
   mask = 0xFFFFFFFF
   while b != 0:
      # ^ get different bits and & gets double 1s, << moves carry
     a, b = (a ^ b) \& mask, ((a \& b) << 1) \& mask
    # if a is negative, get a's 32 bits complement positive first
   # then get 32-bit positive's Python complement negative
    return a if a \leq MAX else \sim (a ^ mask)
Best solution:
A summary: how to use bit manipulation to solve problems easily and efficiently
int count_one(int n) {
  while(n) {
   n = n\&(n-1);
   count++;
 }
  return count;
372,Super Pow:
Python_solution:
Math solusion based on Euler's theorem, power called only ONCE, C++/Java/1-line-Python
Best_solution:
C++ Clean and Short Solution
class Solution {
  const int base = 1337;
  int powmod(int a, int k) //a^k \mod 1337 where 0 \le k \le 10
  {
   a %= base;
   int result = 1;
   for (int i = 0; i < k; ++i)
      result = (result * a) % base;
    return result;
  }
public:
  int superPow(int a, vector<int>& b) {
   if (b.empty()) return 1;
   int last_digit = b.back();
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b.pop_back();
   return powmod(superPow(a, b), 10) * powmod(a, last_digit) % base;
 }
};
373, Find K Pairs with Smallest Sums:
Python solution:
BFS Python 104ms with comments
visited
Best_solution:
Slow 1-liner to Fast solutions
  2 4 6
 +-----
1 | 3 5 7
7 | 9 11 13
11 | 13 15 17
374,Guess Number Higher or Lower:
Python_solution:
Standard binary search in Python
class Solution(object):
 def guessNumber(self, n):
   :type n: int
   :rtype: int
   l, r = 1, n
   while l + 1 < r:
     m = l + (r - l) / 2
     res = guess(m)
     if res < 0:
       r = m
     elif res > 0:
       l = m
     else:
       return m
   if guess(l) == 0:
     return l
   if guess(r) == 0:
     return r
    return None
Best_solution:
The key point is to read the problem carefully.
@Nakanu
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375,Guess Number Higher or Lower II:

Python_solution:

Two Python solutions

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def getMoneyAmount(self, n):
  need = [[0] * (n+1) for _ in range(n+1)]
  for lo in range(n, 0, -1):
   for hi in range(lo+1, n+1):
      need[lo][hi] = min(x + max(need[lo][x-1], need[x+1][hi])
                for x in range(lo, hi))
  return need[1][n]
Best_solution:
Simple DP solution with explanation~~
public class Solution {
  public int getMoneyAmount(int n) {
   int[][] table = new int[n+1][n+1];
    return DP(table, 1, n);
  }
  int DP(int[][] t, int s, int e){
   if(s \ge e) return 0;
   if(t[s][e]!= 0) return t[s][e];
   int res = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
    for(int x=s; x \le e; x++){
      int tmp = x + Math.max(DP(t, s, x-1), DP(t, x+1, e));
      res = Math.min(res, tmp);
   t[s][e] = res;
   return res;
}
376, Wiggle Subsequence:
Python_solution:
3 lines O(n) Python with explanation/proof
def wiggleMaxLength(self, nums):
  nan = float('nan')
  diffs = [a-b \text{ for } a, b \text{ in } zip([nan] + nums, nums + [nan]) \text{ if } a-b]
  return sum(not d^*e \ge 0 for d, e in zip(diffs, diffs[1:]))
Best_solution:
Very Simple Java Solution with detail explanation
Step 1: First we check our requirement is to get small number. As 1<2 so the series will be
2,1
377,Combination Sum IV:
Python_solution:
7-liner in Python, and follow-up question
class Solution(object):
  def combinationSum4(self, nums, target):
    nums, combs = sorted(nums), [1] + [0] * (target)
    for i in range(target + 1):
      for num in nums:
        if num > i: break
```

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if num == i: combs[i] += 1
        if num < i: combs[i] += combs[i - num]
    return combs[target]
# 17 / 17 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 116 ms
Best_solution:
1ms Java DP Solution with Detailed Explanation
target
378,Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix:
Python_solution:
python one-line solution ...
import heapq
class Solution(object):
  def kthSmallest(self, matrix, k):
    return list(heapq.merge(*matrix))[k-1]
Best_solution:
Share my thoughts and Clean Java Code
public class Solution {
  public int kthSmallest(int[][] matrix, int k) {
   int n = matrix.length;
   PriorityQueue<Tuple>pq = new PriorityQueue<Tuple>();
   for(int j = 0; j \le n-1; j++) pq.offer(new Tuple(0, j, matrix[0][j]));
   for(int i = 0; i < k-1; i++) {
     Tuple t = pq.poll();
     if(t.x == n-1) continue;
     pq.offer(new Tuple(t.x+1, t.y, matrix[t.x+1][t.y]));
   return pq.poll().val;
 }
}
class Tuple implements Comparable<Tuple> {
 int x, y, val;
  public Tuple (int x, int y, int val) {
   this.x = x;
   this.y = y;
   this.val = val;
 }
  @Override
  public int compareTo (Tuple that) {
    return this.val - that.val;
}
```

380,Insert Delete GetRandom O(1):

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Python_solution:
Simple solution in Python
list.append()
Best_solution:
Java solution using a HashMap and an ArrayList along with a follow-up. (131 ms)
public class RandomizedSet {
  ArrayList<Integer> nums;
  HashMap<Integer, Integer> locs;
  java.util.Random rand = new java.util.Random();
  /** Initialize your data structure here. */
  public RandomizedSet() {
   nums = new ArrayList<Integer>();
   locs = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
  }
  /** Inserts a value to the set. Returns true if the set did not already contain the specified element. */
  public boolean insert(int val) {
   boolean contain = locs.containsKey(val);
   if (contain) return false;
   locs.put( val, nums.size());
   nums.add(val);
    return true;
  /** Removes a value from the set. Returns true if the set contained the specified element. */
  public boolean remove(int val) {
   boolean contain = locs.containsKey(val);
   if (! contain) return false;
   int loc = locs.get(val);
   if (loc < nums.size() - 1) { // not the last one than swap the last one with this val
      int lastone = nums.get(nums.size() - 1 );
     nums.set( loc , lastone );
     locs.put(lastone, loc);
   locs.remove(val);
   nums.remove(nums.size() - 1);
   return true;
  /** Get a random element from the set. */
  public int getRandom() {
    return nums.get( rand.nextInt(nums.size()) );
  }
}
381, Insert Delete GetRandom O(1) - Duplicates allowed:
Python_solution:
Frugal Python code
import random
class RandomizedCollection(object):
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def __init__(self):
   self.vals, self.idxs = [], collections.defaultdict(set)
  definsert(self, val):
   self.vals.append(val)
   self.idxs[val].add(len(self.vals) - 1)
    return len(self.idxs[val]) == 1
  def remove(self, val):
    if self.idxs[val]:
      out, ins = self.idxs[val].pop(), self.vals[-1]
      self.vals[out] = ins
      if self.idxs[ins]:
        self.idxs[ins].add(out)
        self.idxs[ins].discard(len(self.vals) - 1)
      self.vals.pop()
      return True
    return False
  def getRandom(self):
    return random.choice(self.vals)
Best_solution:
C++ 128m Solution, Real O(1) Solution
class RandomizedCollection {
  /** Initialize your data structure here. */
 RandomizedCollection() {
 }
  /** Inserts a value to the collection. Returns true if the collection did not already contain the specified element.
  bool insert(int val) {
   auto result = m.find(val) == m.end();
   m[val].push_back(nums.size());
   nums.push_back(pair<int, int>(val, m[val].size() - 1));
    return result;
  /** Removes a value from the collection. Returns true if the collection contained the specified element. */
  bool remove(int val) {
   auto result = m.find(val) != m.end();
   if(result)
    {
      auto last = nums.back();
      m[last.first][last.second] = m[val].back();
      nums[m[val].back()] = last;
      m[val].pop_back();
      if(m[val].empty()) m.erase(val);
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nums.pop_back();
   return result;
  }
  /** Get a random element from the collection. */
  int getRandom() {
   return nums[rand() % nums.size()].first;
  }
private:
  vector<pair<int, int>> nums;
  unordered_map<int, vector<int>> m;
};
382,Linked List Random Node:
Python_solution:
Python reservoir sampling solution (when the length of linked list changes dynamically)
class Solution(object):
  def __init__(self, head):
   self.head = head
  def getRandom(self):
   result, node, index = self.head, self.head.next, 1
   while node:
      if random.randint(0, index) is 0:
        result = node
     node = node.next
     index += 1
    return result.val
Best_solution:
Brief explanation for Reservoir Sampling
k
383,Ransom Note:
Python_solution:
O(m+n) one-liner Python
def canConstruct(self, ransomNote, magazine):
  return not collections.Counter(ransomNote) - collections.Counter(magazine)
Best_solution:
Java O(n) Solution---Easy to understand
public class Solution {
  public boolean canConstruct(String ransomNote, String magazine) {
   int[] arr = new int[26];
    for (int i = 0; i < magazine.length(); i++) {
     arr[magazine.charAt(i) - 'a']++;
   for (int i = 0; i < ransomNote.length(); i++) {
      if(--arr[ransomNote.charAt(i)-'a'] < 0) {
       return false;
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}
    return true;
 }
}
384,Shuffle an Array:
Python_solution:
Python hack
class Solution(object):
  def __init__(self, nums):
    self.reset = lambda: nums
    self.shuffle = lambda: random.sample(nums, len(nums))
Best_solution:
First Accepted Solution - Java
import java.util.Random;
public class Solution {
  private int[] nums;
  private Random random;
  public Solution(int[] nums) {
    this.nums = nums;
    random = new Random();
  }
  /** Resets the array to its original configuration and return it. */
  public int[] reset() {
    return nums;
  /** Returns a random shuffling of the array. */
  public int[] shuffle() {
    if(nums == null) return null;
    int[] a = nums.clone();
    for(int j = 1; j < a.length; j++) {
      int i = random.nextInt(j + 1);
      swap(a, i, j);
    }
    return a;
  }
  private void swap(int[] a, int i, int j) {
    int t = a[i];
    a[i] = a[j];
    a[j] = t;
}
```

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Python_solution:
Python & C++ solutions
Best_solution:
An Java Iterative Solution
public NestedInteger deserialize(String s) {
  if (s.isEmpty())
    return null;
  if (s.charAt(0)!='[')//ERROR: special case
    return new NestedInteger(Integer.valueOf(s));
  Stack<NestedInteger> stack = new Stack<>();
  NestedInteger curr = null;
  int l = 0; // l shall point to the start of a number substring;
       // r shall point to the end+1 of a number substring
  for (int r = 0; r < s.length(); r++) {
    char ch = s.charAt(r);
    if (ch == '[') {
      if (curr!= null) {
        stack.push(curr);
      curr = new NestedInteger();
      l = r+1;
    } else if (ch == ']') {
      String num = s.substring(l, r);
      if (!num.isEmpty())
        curr.add(new NestedInteger(Integer.valueOf(num)));
      if (!stack.isEmpty()) {
        NestedInteger pop = stack.pop();
        pop.add(curr);
        curr = pop;
      }
      l = r+1;
    } else if (ch == ',') {
      if (s.charAt(r-1) != ']') {
        String num = s.substring(l, r);
        curr.add(new NestedInteger(Integer.valueOf(num)));
      l = r+1;
    }
  }
  return curr;
}
386,Lexicographical Numbers:
Python_solution:
Python with Sorting
sorted
Best_solution:
Java O(n) time, O(1) space iterative solution 130ms
public List<Integer> lexicalOrder(int n) {
    List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>(n);
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int curr = 1;
    for (int i = 1; i \le n; i++) {
      list.add(curr);
      if (curr * 10 \le n) \{
        curr *= 10;
      } else if (curr % 10 != 9 && curr + 1 <= n) {
        curr++;
      } else {
        while ((\text{curr} / 10) \% 10 == 9) \{
          curr /= 10;
        }
        curr = curr / 10 + 1;
   }
    return list;
387, First Unique Character in a String:
Python_solution:
1-liners in Python, 76ms
class Solution(object):
 def firstUniqChar(self, s):
    return min([s.find(c) for c in string.ascii_lowercase if s.count(c)==1] or [-1])
Best_solution:
Java 7 lines solution 29ms
public class Solution {
  public int firstUniqChar(String s) {
    int freq [] = new int[26];
    for(int i = 0; i < s.length(); i ++)
      freq [s.charAt(i) - 'a'] ++;
    for(int i = 0; i < s.length(); i ++)
      if(freq [s.charAt(i) - 'a'] == 1)
        return i;
    return -1;
 }
}
388,Longest Absolute File Path:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution
depth
Best_solution:
9 lines 4ms Java solution
public int lengthLongestPath(String input) {
    Deque<Integer> stack = new ArrayDeque<>();
    stack.push(0); // "dummy" length
    int maxLen = 0;
    for(String s:input.split("\n")){
      int lev = s.lastIndexOf("\t")+1; // number of "\t"
      while(lev+1<stack.size()) stack.pop(); // find parent</pre>
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int len = stack.peek()+s.length()-lev+1; // remove "/t", add"/"
      stack.push(len);
      // check if it is file
      if(s.contains(".")) maxLen = Math.max(maxLen, len-1);
   return maxLen;
  }
389,Find the Difference:
Python_solution:
1-liners and 2-liner in Python
class Solution(object):
  def findTheDifference(self, s, t):
    return chr(reduce(operator.xor, map(ord, s + t)))
Best_solution:
Java solution using bit manipulation
public char findTheDifference(String s, String t) {
         char c = 0;
         for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); ++i) {
                   c ^= s.charAt(i);
         }
         for (int i = 0; i < t.length(); ++i) {
                   c ^= t.charAt(i);
         }
         return c;
}
390,Elimination Game:
Python_solution:
3 lines Iterative code in Python, O(log N), O(1) space
class Solution(object):
  def lastRemaining(self, n):
   start, size, inv = 1, 1, 1
   while n > 1: start, size, inv, n = start + inv * size + 2 * (n // 2 - 1) * inv * size,\
                      size * 2, inv * -1,\
                      n // 2
   return start
Best_solution:
JAVA: Easiest solution O(logN) with explanation
  public int lastRemaining(int n) {
   boolean left = true;
   int remaining = n;
   int step = 1;
   int head = 1;
   while (remaining > 1) {
      if (left || remaining \% 2 ==1) {
        head = head + step;
      remaining = remaining / 2;
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step = step * 2;
     left = !left;
   return head;
  }
391, Perfect Rectangle:
Python_solution:
Easy Understanding O(n) Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def isRectangleCover(self, rectangles):
   def recordCorner(point):
      if point in corners:
        corners[point] += 1
      else:
        corners[point] = 1
                                 # record all corners
    corners = {}
    L, B, R, T, area = float('inf'), float('inf'), -float('inf'), -float('inf'), 0
    for sub in rectangles:
     L, B, R, T = min(L, sub[0]), min(B, sub[1]), max(R, sub[2]), max(T, sub[3])
     ax, ay, bx, by = sub[:]
                                       # sum up the area of each sub-rectangle
     area += (bx-ax)*(by-ay)
     map(recordCorner, [(ax, ay), (bx, by), (ax, by), (bx, ay)])
   if area != (T-B)*(R-L): return False
                                           # check the area
   big_four = [(L,B),(R,T),(L,T),(R,B)]
                                  # check corners of big rectangle
    for bf in big_four:
     if bf not in corners or corners[bf] != 1:
        return False
    for key in corners:
                                    # check existing "inner" points
      if corners[key]%2 and key not in big_four:
        return False
    return True
Best_solution:
Really Easy Understanding Solution(O(n), Java)
public boolean isRectangleCover(int[][] rectangles) {
    if (rectangles.length == 0 || rectangles[0].length == 0) return false;
   int x1 = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
   int x2 = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
   int y1 = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
   int y2 = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
    HashSet<String> set = new HashSet<String>();
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int area = 0;
           for (int[] rect : rectangles) {
                x1 = Math.min(rect[0], x1);
                y1 = Math.min(rect[1], y1);
                x2 = Math.max(rect[2], x2);
                y2 = Math.max(rect[3], y2);
                area += (rect[2] - rect[0]) * (rect[3] - rect[1]);
                String s1 = rect[0] + " " + rect[1];
                String s2 = rect[0] + "" + rect[3];
                String s3 = rect[2] + " " + rect[3];
                String s4 = rect[2] + " " + rect[1];
                if (!set.add(s1)) set.remove(s1);
                if (!set.add(s2)) set.remove(s2);
                if (!set.add(s3)) set.remove(s3);
                if (!set.add(s4)) set.remove(s4);
          }
          if (!set.contains(x1 + "" + y1) || !set.contains(x1 + "" + y2) || !set.contains(x2 + "" + y1) || !set.contains(x2 + " + y1) || !set.contains(x2 + y1) || !set.contains(x2 + y1) || !set.contains(x2 + y1) || !set.contains(x2 + y1) || !set.contains(x
" " + y2) || set.size() != 4) return false;
          return area == (x2-x1) * (y2-y1);
     }
392,Is Subsequence:
Python_solution:
2 lines Python
def isSubsequence(self, s, t):
     t = iter(t)
     return all(c in t for c in s)
Best_solution:
3 lines C
bool isSubsequence(char* s, char* t) {
     while (*t)
          s += *s == *t++;
     return !*s;
}
393,UTF-8 Validation:
Python_solution:
Short'n'Clean 12-lines Python solution
def check(nums, start, size):
     for i in range(start + 1, start + size + 1):
           if i \ge len(nums) or (nums[i] >> 6) != 0b10: return False
     return True
class Solution(object):
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def validUtf8(self, nums, start=0):
    while start < len(nums):
      first = nums[start]
      if (first >> 3) == 0b11110 and check(nums, start, 3): start += 4
      elif (first >> 4) == 0b1110 and check(nums, start, 2): start += 3
      elif (first >> 5) == 0b110 and check(nums, start, 1): start += 2
      elif (first \gg 7) == 0:
                                            start += 1
      else:
                                      return False
    return True
#45/45 test cases passed.
# Status: Accepted
# Runtime: 89 ms
Best_solution:
Concise C++ implementation
class Solution {
public:
  bool validUtf8(vector<int>& data) {
    int count = 0;
    for (auto c: data) {
      if (count == 0) {
        if ((c >> 5) == 0b110) count = 1;
        else if ((c >> 4) == 0b1110) count = 2;
        else if ((c >> 3) == 0b11110) count = 3;
        else if ((c >> 7)) return false;
        if ((c >> 6) != 0b10) return false;
        count--;
    }
    return count == 0;
  }
};
394,Decode String:
Python_solution:
Share my Python Stack Simple Solution (Easy to understand)
class Solution(object):
  def decodeString(self, s):
    stack = []
    stack.append(["", 1])
    num = ""
    for ch in s:
      if ch.isdigit():
       num += ch
      elif ch == '[':
        stack.append(["", int(num)])
        num = ""
      elif ch == ']':
        st, k = stack.pop()
        stack[-1][0] += st*k
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else:
        stack[-1][0] += ch
    return stack[0][0]
Best_solution:
0ms simple C++ solution
class Solution {
public:
  string decodeString(const string& s, int& i) {
    string res;
    while (i < s.length() && s[i] != ']') {
      if (!isdigit(s[i]))
        res += s[i++];
      else {
        int n = 0;
        while (i < s.length() \&\& isdigit(s[i]))
          n = n * 10 + s[i++] - '0';
        i++; // '['
        string t = decodeString(s, i);
        i++; // ']'
        while (n-->0)
          res += t;
    }
    return res;
  }
  string decodeString(string s) {
    int i = 0;
    return decodeString(s, i);
 }
};
395, Longest Substring with At Least K Repeating Characters:
Python_solution:
4 lines Python
def longestSubstring(self, s, k):
  for c in set(s):
    if s.count(c) < k:
      return max(self.longestSubstring(t, k) for t in s.split(c))
  return len(s)
Best_solution:
4 lines Python
def longestSubstring(self, s, k):
  for c in set(s):
    if s.count(c) < k:
      return\ max(self.longestSubstring(t,k)\ for\ t\ in\ s.split(c))
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return len(s)
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396,Rotate Function:
Python_solution:
Python O(n), Math with explaination
class Solution(object):
 def maxRotateFunction(self, A):
   sumA=sum(A)
   temp=0
   for i,c in enumerate(A):
     temp+=i*c
   maxx=temp
   for j in xrange(len(A)):
     temp+=(len(A)*A[j]-sumA)
     maxx=max(temp,maxx)
    return maxx
Best_solution:
Java O(n) solution with explanation
F(k) = 0 * Bk[0] + 1 * Bk[1] + ... + (n-1) * Bk[n-1]
F(k-1) = 0 * Bk-1[0] + 1 * Bk-1[1] + ... + (n-1) * Bk-1[n-1]
   = 0*Bk[1] + 1*Bk[2] + ... + (n-2)*Bk[n-1] + (n-1)*Bk[0]
397,Integer Replacement:
Python_solution:
Python O(log n) time, O(1) space with explanation and proof
class Solution(object):
 def integerReplacement(self, n):
    rtn = 0
   while n > 1:
     rtn += 1
     if n % 2 == 0:
       n //= 2
     elif n % 4 == 1 or n == 3:
       n -= 1
     else:
       n += 1
   return rtn
Best_solution:
A couple of Java solutions with explanations
111011 -> 111010 -> 11101 -> 11100 -> 1110 -> 111 -> 1000 -> 100 -> 10 -> 1
398,Random Pick Index:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution
class Solution(object):
 def __init__(self, nums):
   self.nums = nums
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def pick(self, target):
    return random.choice([k for k, v in enumerate(self.nums) if v == target])
Best_solution:
Simple Reservoir Sampling solution
public class Solution {
  int[] nums;
  Random rnd;
  public Solution(int[] nums) {
    this.nums = nums;
   this.rnd = new Random();
  public int pick(int target) {
   int result = -1;
   int count = 0;
   for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
      if (nums[i] != target)
        continue;
     if(rnd.nextInt(++count) == 0)
        result = i;
   }
   return result;
399,Evaluate Division:
Python_solution:
9 lines "Floyd-Warshall" in Python
A/B=k
Best_solution:
Java AC Solution using graph
  public double[] calcEquation(String[][] equations, double[] values, String[][] queries) {
    HashMap<String, ArrayList<String>> pairs = new HashMap<String, ArrayList<String>>();
    HashMap<String, ArrayList<Double>> valuesPair = new HashMap<String, ArrayList<Double>>();
    for (int i = 0; i < equations.length; <math>i++) {
      String[] equation = equations[i];
      if (!pairs.containsKey(equation[0])) {
        pairs.put(equation[0], new ArrayList<String>());
        valuesPair.put(equation[0], new ArrayList<Double>());
      if (!pairs.containsKey(equation[1])) {
        pairs.put(equation[1], new ArrayList<String>());
        valuesPair.put(equation[1], new ArrayList<Double>());
      pairs.get(equation[0]).add(equation[1]);
      pairs.get(equation[1]).add(equation[0]);
     valuesPair.get(equation[0]).add(values[i]);
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valuesPair.get(equation[1]).add(1/values[i]);
   double[] result = new double[queries.length];
    for (int i = 0; i < queries.length; i++) {
      String[] query = queries[i];
      result[i] = dfs(query[0], query[1], pairs, valuesPair, new HashSet<String>(), 1.0);
      if (result[i] == 0.0) result[i] = -1.0;
   }
   return result;
  private double dfs(String start, String end, HashMap<String, ArrayList<String>> pairs, HashMap<String,
ArrayList<Double>> values, HashSet<String> set, double value) {
   if (set.contains(start)) return 0.0;
   if (!pairs.containsKey(start)) return 0.0;
   if (start.equals(end)) return value;
   set.add(start);
   ArrayList<String> strList = pairs.get(start);
   ArrayList<Double> valueList = values.get(start);
   double tmp = 0.0;
    for (int i = 0; i < strList.size(); i++) {
      tmp = dfs(strList.get(i), end, pairs, values, set, value*valueList.get(i));
      if (tmp != 0.0) {
        break;
      }
   }
   set.remove(start);
   return tmp;
400,Nth Digit:
Python_solution:
Short Python+Java
def findNthDigit(self, n):
  n = 1
  for digits in range(1, 11):
   first = 10**(digits - 1)
   if n < 9 * first * digits:
      return int(str(first + n/digits)[n%digits])
   n -= 9 * first * digits
Best_solution:
Java solution
         public int findNthDigit(int n) {
                   int len = 1:
                   long count = 9;
                   int start = 1;
                   while (n > len * count) {
                             n -= len * count;
                             len += 1;
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count *= 10;
                            start *= 10;
                  }
                  start += (n - 1) / len;
                  String s = Integer.toString(start);
                  return Character.getNumericValue(s.charAt((n - 1) % len));
         }
401,Binary Watch:
Python_solution:
Simple Python+Java
def readBinaryWatch(self, num):
  return ['%d:%02d' % (h, m)
      for h in range(12) for m in range(60)
      if (bin(h) + bin(m)).count('1') == num]
Best_solution:
Simple Python+Java
def readBinaryWatch(self, num):
  return ['%d:%02d' % (h, m)
      for h in range(12) for m in range(60)
      if (bin(h) + bin(m)).count('1') == num]
402, Remove K Digits:
Python_solution:
Short Python, one O(n) and one RegEx
prep
Best_solution:
A greedy method using stack, O(n) time and O(n) space
public class Solution {
  public String removeKdigits(String num, int k) {
    int digits = num.length() - k;
    char[] stk = new char[num.length()];
    int top = 0;
    // k keeps track of how many characters we can remove
    // if the previous character in stk is larger than the current one
    // then removing it will get a smaller number
    // but we can only do so when k is larger than 0
    for (int i = 0; i < num.length(); ++i) {
      char c = num.charAt(i);
      while (top > 0 \&\& stk[top-1] > c \&\& k > 0) {
        top = 1;
        k = 1;
      stk[top++] = c;
    // find the index of first non-zero digit
    int idx = 0;
    while (idx < digits && stk[idx] == '0') idx++;
    return idx == digits? "0": new String(stk, idx, digits - idx);
```

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}
403,Frog Jump:
Python_solution:
Python DFS easy understanding using memo
class Solution(object):
  def canCross(self, stones):
    self.memo = set()
   target = stones[-1]
   stones = set(stones)
    res = self.bt(stones, 1, 1, target)
   return res
  def bt(self, stones, cur, speed, target):
    # check memo
   if (cur, speed) in self.memo:
      return False
   if cur==target:
      return True
   if cur>target or cur<0 or speed<=0 or cur not in stones:
     return False
    # dfs
    candidate = [speed-1, speed, speed+1]
    for c in candidate:
      if (cur + c) in stones:
        if self.bt(stones, cur+c, c, target):
          return True
   self.memo.add((cur,speed))
   return False
Best solution:
Very easy to understand JAVA solution with explanations
  public boolean canCross(int[] stones) {
   if (stones.length == 0) {
         return true;
   }
   HashMap<Integer, HashSet<Integer>> map = new HashMap<Integer, HashSet<Integer>>(stones.length);
    map.put(0, new HashSet<Integer>());
    map.get(0).add(1);
   for (int i = 1; i < stones.length; i++) {
         map.put(stones[i], new HashSet<Integer>() );
   }
   for (int i = 0; i < stones.length - 1; i++) {
         int stone = stones[i];
         for (int step : map.get(stone)) {
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int reach = step + stone;
                  if (reach == stones[stones.length - 1]) {
                            return true;
                  HashSet<Integer> set = map.get(reach);
                  if (set != null) {
                    set.add(step);
                    if (step - 1 > 0) set.add(step - 1);
                    set.add(step + 1);
         }
   return false;
404,Sum of Left Leaves:
Python_solution:
4 Lines Python Recursive AC Solution
class Solution(object):
  def sumOfLeftLeaves(self, root):
    if not root: return 0
   if root.left and not root.left.right:
      return root.left.val + self.sumOfLeftLeaves(root.right)
    return self.sumOfLeftLeaves(root.left) + self.sumOfLeftLeaves(root.right) # isn't leave
Best_solution:
Java iterative and recursive solutions
public int sumOfLeftLeaves(TreeNode root) {
  if(root == null) return 0;
  int ans = 0;
  if(root.left != null) {
   if(root.left.left == null && root.left.right == null) ans += root.left.val;
   else ans += sumOfLeftLeaves(root.left);
 ans += sumOfLeftLeaves(root.right);
  return ans;
405,Convert a Number to Hexadecimal:
Python_solution:
1-liner in Python
class Solution(object):
  def to Hex(self, num):
    return ".join(
            '0123456789abcdef'[(num >> 4 * i) & 15]
            for i in range(8)
            )[::-1].lstrip('0') or '0'
```

 $Best_solution:$

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Simple Java solution with comment
Basic idea: each time we take a look at the last four digits of
      binary verion of the input, and maps that to a hex char
      shift the input to the right by 4 bits, do it again
      until input becomes 0.
*/
public class Solution {
  char[] map = \{'0','1','2','3','4','5','6','7','8','9','a','b','c','d','e','f'\};
  public String to Hex(int num) {
   if(num == 0) return "0";
   String result = "";
   while(num != 0){
      result = map[(num & 15)] + result;
      num = (num >>> 4);
   }
   return result;
}````
406, Queue Reconstruction by Height:
Python_solution:
Easy concept with Python/C++/Java Solution
class Solution(object):
  def reconstructQueue(self, people):
    if not people: return []
    # obtain everyone's info
    # key=height, value=k-value, index in original array
   peopledct, height, res = {}, [], []
   for i in xrange(len(people)):
      p = people[i]
      if p[0] in peopledct:
        peopledct[p[0]] += (p[1], i),
        peopledct[p[0]] = [(p[1], i)]
        height += p[0],
   height.sort() # here are different heights we have
    # sort from the tallest group
    for h in height[::-1]:
      peopledct[h].sort()
      for p in peopledct[h]:
        res.insert(p[0], people[p[1]])
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Best_solution:
Easy concept with Python/C++/Java Solution
class Solution(object):
  def reconstructQueue(self, people):
   if not people: return []
    # obtain everyone's info
    # key=height, value=k-value, index in original array
    peopledct, height, res = {}, [], []
   for i in xrange(len(people)):
     p = people[i]
     if p[0] in peopledct:
        peopledct[p[0]] += (p[1], i),
        peopledct[p[0]] = [(p[1], i)]
        height += p[0],
   height.sort() # here are different heights we have
    # sort from the tallest group
    for h in height[::-1]:
     peopledct[h].sort()
     for p in peopledct[h]:
        res.insert(p[0], people[p[1]])
    return res
407,Trapping Rain Water II:
Python_solution:
python solution with heap
class Solution(object):
  def trapRainWater(self, heightMap):
   if not heightMap or not heightMap[0]:
      return 0
   import heapq
    m, n = len(heightMap), len(heightMap[0])
   heap = []
   visited = [[0]*n for _ in xrange(m)]
    # Push all the block on the border into heap
    for i in xrange(m):
     for j in xrange(n):
        if i == 0 or j == 0 or i == m-1 or j == n-1:
          heapq.heappush(heap, (heightMap[i][j], i, j))\\
          visited[i][j] = 1
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result = 0
    while heap:
      height, i, j = heapq.heappop(heap)
      for x, y in ((i+1, j), (i-1, j), (i, j+1), (i, j-1)):
        if 0 \le x \le m and 0 \le y \le n and not visited[x][y]:
          result += max(0, height-heightMap[x][y])
          heapq.heappush(heap, (max(heightMap[x][y], height), x, y))
          visited[x][y] = 1
    return result
Best_solution:
Java solution using PriorityQueue
public class Solution {
  public class Cell {
    int row;
    int col;
    int height;
    public Cell(int row, int col, int height) {
      this.row = row;
      this.col = col;
      this.height = height;
   }
  }
  public int trapRainWater(int[][] heights) {
    if (heights == null || heights.length == 0 || heights[0].length == 0)
      return 0;
    PriorityQueue<Cell> queue = new PriorityQueue<>(1, new Comparator<Cell>(){
      public int compare(Cell a, Cell b) {
        return a.height - b.height;
      }
    });
    int m = heights.length;
    int n = heights[0].length;
    boolean[][] visited = new boolean[m][n];
    // Initially, add all the Cells which are on borders to the queue.
    for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) {
      visited[i][0] = true;
      visited[i][n - 1] = true;
      queue.offer(new Cell(i, 0, heights[i][0]));
      queue.offer(new Cell(i, n - 1, heights[i][n - 1]));
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
      visited[0][i] = true;
      visited[m - 1][i] = true;
      queue.offer(new Cell(0, i, heights[0][i]));
      queue.offer(new Cell(m - 1, i, heights[m - 1][i]));
```

```
}
   // from the borders, pick the shortest cell visited and check its neighbors:
   // if the neighbor is shorter, collect the water it can trap and update its height as its height plus the water
trapped
   // add all its neighbors to the queue.
   int[][] dirs = new int[][]{\{-1, 0\}, \{1, 0\}, \{0, -1\}, \{0, 1\}\}};
   int res = 0;
   while (!queue.isEmpty()) {
      Cell cell = queue.poll();
      for (int[] dir: dirs) {
        int row = cell.row + dir[0];
        int col = cell.col + dir[1];
        if (row \ge 0 \&\& row < m \&\& col \ge 0 \&\& col < n \&\& !visited[row][col]) {
          visited[row][col] = true;
          res += Math.max(0, cell.height - heights[row][col]);
          queue.offer(new Cell(row, col, Math.max(heights[row][col], cell.height)));
        }
      }
   }
   return res;
 }
}
409,Longest Palindrome:
Python_solution:
What are the odds? (Python & C++)
def longestPalindrome(self, s):
  odds = sum(v & 1 for v in collections.Counter(s).values())
  return len(s) - odds + bool(odds)
Best_solution:
Simple HashSet solution Java
public int longestPalindrome(String s) {
    if(s==null || s.length()==0) return 0;
    HashSet<Character> hs = new HashSet<Character>();
   int count = 0;
    for(int i=0; i<s.length(); i++){
      if(hs.contains(s.charAt(i))){
        hs.remove(s.charAt(i));
        count++;
      }else{
        hs.add(s.charAt(i));
   if(!hs.isEmpty()) return count*2+1;
    return count*2;
}
```

410, Split Array Largest Sum:

```
Python_solution:
Python solution dp and binary search
import sys
class Solution(object):
  def splitArray(self, nums, m):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :type m: int
   :rtype: int
   dp = [[sys.maxint]*(m) for _ in range(len(nums)+1)]
   acc = 0
   dp[0][0] = 0
   for i in range(1, len(nums)+1):
     acc += nums[i - 1]
     dp[i][0] = acc
   for j in range(m):
      dp[0][j] = 0
   for i in range(1, len(nums)+1):
     for i_in range(i):
        for j in range(1, m):
          dp[i][j] = min(dp[i][j], max(dp[i_][j-1], dp[i][0]-dp[i_][0]))
    #print dp
    return dp[len(nums)][m-1]
Best_solution:
Clear Explanation: 8ms Binary Search Java
l = max number of array; r = sum of all numbers in the array;
412,Fizz Buzz:
Python_solution:
Python Golf
def fizzBuzz(self, n):
  return['FizzBuzz'[i\%-3\&-4:i\%-5\&8^12]or\ `i' for\ i' in \ range(1,n+1)]
Best_solution:
Java 4ms solution, Not using "%" operation
public class Solution {
  public List<String> fizzBuzz(int n) {
    List<String> ret = new ArrayList<String>(n);
    for(int i=1,fizz=0,buzz=0;i \le n;i++){
      fizz++;
     buzz++;
     if(fizz==3 && buzz==5){
        ret.add("FizzBuzz");
        fizz=0;
        buzz=0;
      }else if(fizz==3){
        ret.add("Fizz");
        fizz=0;
      }else if(buzz==5){
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ret.add("Buzz");
        buzz=0;
     }else{
        ret.add(String.valueOf(i));
     }
   }
   return ret;
 }
}
413, Arithmetic Slices:
Python_solution:
Python DP solution
def numberOfArithmeticSlices(self, A):
 :type A: List[int]
 :rtype: int
  opt, i = [0,0], 1
  for j in xrange(2,len(A)):
   if A[j]-A[j-1] == A[j-1]-A[j-2]:
     opt.append(opt[j-1]+i)
     i += 1
   else:
      opt.append(opt[j-1])
  return opt[-1]
Best_solution:
Simple Java solution 9 lines, 2ms
public int numberOfArithmeticSlices(int[] A) {
  int curr = 0, sum = 0;
  for (int i=2; i<A.length; i++)
   if(A[i]-A[i-1] == A[i-1]-A[i-2]) \{
     curr += 1;
     sum += curr;
   } else {
     curr = 0;
  return sum;
414,Third Maximum Number:
Python_solution:
Intuitive and Short Python solution
class Solution(object):
  def thirdMax(self, nums):
   v = [float('-inf'), float('-inf'), float('-inf')]
   for num in nums:
      if num not in v:
        if num > v[0]: v = [num, v[0], v[1]]
        elif num > v[1]: v = [v[0], num, v[1]]
        elif num > v[2]: v = [v[0], v[1], num]
```

}

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Best_solution:
Java neat and easy understand solution, O(n) time, O(1) space
        public int thirdMax(int[] nums) {
                Integer max1 = null;
                Integer max2 = null;
                Integer max3 = null;
                for (Integer n : nums) {
                         if (n.equals(max1) || n.equals(max2) || n.equals(max3)) continue;
                         if (\max 1 == \text{null} \mid\mid n > \max 1) {
                                 max3 = max2;
                                 max2 = max1;
                                 max1 = n;
                        extrm{ } e
                                  max3 = max2;
                                  max2 = n;
                        extrm{ } e
                                 max3 = n;
                        }
               }
               return max3 == null ? max1 : max3;
415,Add Strings:
Python_solution:
Python: 7-line & 52ms (+ 1-liner for fun)
def addStrings(self, num1, num2):
        z = itertools.izip_longest(num1[::-1], num2[::-1], fillvalue='0')
        res, carry, zero2 = [], 0, 2*ord('0')
        for i in z:
                cur\_sum = ord(i[0]) + ord(i[1]) - zero2 + carry
                res.append(str(cur_sum % 10))
                carry = cur_sum // 10
        return ('1' if carry else ") + ".join(res[::-1])
Best_solution:
Straightforward Java 8 main lines 25ms
public class Solution {
        public String addStrings(String num1, String num2) {
                 StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
                int carry = 0;
                for(int \ i = num1.length() - 1, \ j = num2.length() - 1; \ i >= 0 \ || \ j >= 0 \ || \ carry == 1; \ i--, \ j--)\{
                        int x = i < 0 ? 0 : num1.charAt(i) - '0';
                        int y = j < 0 ? 0 : num 2.charAt(j) - '0';
                        sb.append((x + y + carry) \% 10);
                         carry = (x + y + carry) / 10;
                return sb.reverse().toString();
```

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416, Partition Equal Subset Sum:
Python_solution:
7 Lines 59ms Recursive Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def canPartition(self, nums):
    nums.sort(reverse=True)
    def helper(start, target):
                                   # Here path is not needed
      if target < 0: return
      elif target == 0: return True
      for i in xrange(start, len(nums)):
        if helper(i+1, target-nums[i]): return True
      return False
    return False if sum(nums)%2 else helper(0, sum(nums)/2)
Best_solution:
0/1 knapsack detailed explanation
public boolean canPartition(int[] nums) {
 int sum = 0;
 for (int num: nums) {
    sum += num;
  }
  if ((sum \& 1) == 1) {
    return false;
  }
 sum /= 2;
  int n = nums.length;
  boolean[][] dp = new boolean[n+1][sum+1];
  for (int i = 0; i < dp.length; i++) {
    Arrays.fill(dp[i], false);
  }
 dp[0][0] = true;
  for (int i = 1; i < n+1; i++) {
   dp[i][0] = true;
  for (int j = 1; j < sum + 1; j++) {
    dp[0][j] = false;
  for (int i = 1; i < n+1; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j < sum + 1; j++) {
      \mathrm{dp}[\mathrm{i}][\mathrm{j}] = \mathrm{dp}[\mathrm{i-1}][\mathrm{j}];
      if (j \ge nums[i-1]) {
        dp[i][j] = (dp[i][j] || dp[i-1][j-nums[i-1]]);
      }
   }
  }
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return dp[n][sum];
}
417,Pacific Atlantic Water Flow:
Python_solution:
Python DFS bests 85%. Tips for all DFS in matrix question.
self.directions = [(1,0),(-1,0),(0,1),(0,-1)]
Best_solution:
Java BFS & DFS from Ocean
public class Solution {
  int[][]dir = new int[][]{{1,0},{-1,0},{0,1},{0,-1}};
  public List<int[]> pacificAtlantic(int[][] matrix) {
    List<int[]> res = new LinkedList<>();
    if(matrix == null || matrix.length == 0 || matrix[0].length == 0){
      return res;
   }
   int n = matrix.length, m = matrix[0].length;
    //One visited map for each ocean
    boolean[][] pacific = new boolean[n][m];
    boolean[][] atlantic = new boolean[n][m];
    Queue<int[]>pQueue = new LinkedList<>();
    Queue<int[]> aQueue = new LinkedList<>();
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++){ //Vertical border
      pQueue.offer(new int[]{i, 0});
      aQueue.offer(new int[]{i, m-1});
      pacific[i][0] = true;
      atlantic[i][m-1] = true;
    for(int i=0; i<m; i++){ //Horizontal border
      pQueue.offer(new int[]{0, i});
      aQueue.offer(new int[]{n-1, i});
      pacific[0][i] = true;
      atlantic[n-1][i] = true;
   bfs(matrix, pQueue, pacific);
   bfs(matrix, aQueue, atlantic);
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++){
      for(int j=0; j < m; j++){
        if(pacific[i][j] && atlantic[i][j])
          res.add(new int[]{i,j});
      }
   }
   return res;
  public void bfs(int[][]matrix, Queue<int[]> queue, boolean[][]visited){
   int n = matrix.length, m = matrix[0].length;
   while(!queue.isEmpty()){
      int[] cur = queue.poll();
      for(int[] d:dir){
        int x = cur[0] + d[0];
        int y = cur[1] + d[1];
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if(x < 0 \mid | \ x > = n \mid | \ y < 0 \mid | \ y > = m \mid | \ visited[x][y] \mid | \ matrix[x][y] < matrix[cur[0]][cur[1]]) \\ \{ \ matrix[x][y] < matrix[x][y] < matrix[x][y] < matrix[x][y] \\ \{ \ matrix[x][y] < 
                        }
                        visited[x][y] = true;
                        queue.offer(new int[]{x, y});
          }
    }
}
419,Battleships in a Board:
Python_solution:
Python solution
class Solution(object):
      def countBattleships(self, board):
            if len(board) == 0: return 0
           m, n = len(board), len(board[0])
           count = 0
            for i in range(m):
                 for j in range(n):
                         if board[i][j] == 'X' and (i == 0 or board[i-1][j] == '.') and (j == 0 or board[i][j-1] == '.'):
                               count += 1
            return count
Best_solution:
Simple Java Solution
      public int countBattleships(char[][] board) {
           int m = board.length;
           if (m==0) return 0;
           int n = board[0].length;
           int count=0;
            for (int i=0; i< m; i++) {
                 for (int j=0; j< n; j++) {
                        if (board[i][j] == '.') continue;
                         if (i > 0 \&\& board[i-1][j] == 'X') continue;
                        if (j > 0 \&\& board[i][j-1] == 'X') continue;
                         count++;
                 }
           }
           return count;
      }
420,Strong Password Checker:
Python_solution:
Simple Python solution
class Solution(object):
      def strongPasswordChecker(self, s):
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:type s: str
   :rtype: int
   missing_type = 3
   if any('a' \leq c \leq 'z' for c in s): missing_type = 1
   if any ('A' \leq c \leq 'Z' for c in s): missing_type = 1
   if any(c.isdigit() for c in s): missing_type -= 1
    change = 0
   one = two = 0
   p = 2
   while p < len(s):
     if s[p] == s[p-1] == s[p-2]:
        length = 2
        while p < len(s) and s[p] == s[p-1]:
          length += 1
          p += 1
        change += length / 3
        if length \% 3 == 0: one += 1
        elif length \% 3 == 1: two += 1
      else:
        p += 1
   if len(s) < 6:
      return max(missing_type, 6 - len(s))
   elif len(s) \le 20:
      return max(missing_type, change)
   else:
      delete = len(s) - 20
      change -= min(delete, one)
      change -= min(max(delete - one, 0), two * 2) / 2
      change -= max(delete - one - 2 * two, 0) / 3
     return delete + max(missing_type, change)
Best_solution:
C++ 0ms O(n) 35 lines solution with detailed explanation
s.length() < 6
421, Maximum XOR of Two Numbers in an Array:
Python_solution:
Python 6 lines, bit by bit
def findMaximumXOR(self, nums):
  answer = 0
  for i in range(32)[::-1]:
   answer <<= 1
   prefixes = {num >> i for num in nums}
   answer += any(answer^1 ^ p in prefixes for p in prefixes)
  return answer
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Best_solution:
Java O(n) solution using bit manipulation and HashMap
public class Solution {
  public int findMaximumXOR(int[] nums) {
    int max = 0, mask = 0;
    for(int i = 31; i >= 0; i--){
      mask = mask \mid (1 << i);
      Set<Integer> set = new HashSet<>();
      for(int num : nums){
        set.add(num & mask);
      int tmp = max | (1 << i);
      for(int prefix : set){
        if(set.contains(tmp ^ prefix)) {
          max = tmp;
          break;
        }
      }
    }
    return max;
}
423,Reconstruct Original Digits from English:
Python_solution:
python: solve valid equation problem
class Solution(object):
  def originalDigits(self, s):
    :type s: str
    :rtype: str
    .....
    dic = \{\}
    for ch in s:
      dic[ch] = dic.get(ch, 0) + 1
    ret = []
    ret.extend(['0'] * dic.get('z', 0))
    ret.extend(\ ['1']*(dic.get('o',0)-dic.get('z',0)-dic.get('w',0)-dic.get('u',0)))
    ret.extend(['2'] * dic.get('w', 0))
    ret.extend(['3'] * (dic.get('h', 0)-dic.get('g', 0)))
    ret.extend(\,['4']\,*\,dic.get('u',0)\,)
    ret.extend(['5'] * (dic.get('f', 0)-dic.get('u', 0)))
    ret.extend(['6'] * dic.get('x', 0))
    ret.extend(['7'] * (dic.get('s', 0)-dic.get('x', 0)))
    ret.extend(['8'] * dic.get('g', 0))
    ret.extend(['9'] * (dic.get('i', 0)-dic.get('g', 0)-dic.get('x', 0)-dic.get('f', 0)+dic.get('u', 0)))
    return ".join( ret )
Best_solution:
one pass O(n) JAVA Solution, Simple and Clear
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public String originalDigits(String s) {

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int[] count = new int[10];
  for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++){
    char c = s.charAt(i);
   if (c == 'z') count[0]++;
   if (c == 'w') count[2]++;
   if (c == 'x') count[6]++;
   if (c == 's') count[7]++; //7-6
   if (c == 'g') count[8]++;
   if (c == 'u') count[4]++;
   if (c == 'f') count[5]++; //5-4
   if (c == 'h') count[3]++; //3-8
   if (c == 'i') count[9]++; //9-8-5-6
   if (c == 'o') count[1]++; //1-0-2-4
  count[7] -= count[6];
  count[5] -= count[4];
  count[3] -= count[8];
  count[9] = count[9] - count[8] - count[5] - count[6];
  count[1] = count[1] - count[0] - count[2] - count[4];
  StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
  for (int i = 0; i \le 9; i++){
   for (int j = 0; j < count[i]; j++){
      sb.append(i);
   }
  }
  return sb.toString();
}
424,Longest Repeating Character Replacement:
Python_solution:
Consise Python sliding window
def characterReplacement(self, s, k):
  res = lo = hi = 0
  counts = collections.Counter()
  for hi in range(1, len(s)+1):
    counts[s[hi-1]] += 1
   max_char_n = counts.most_common(1)[0][1]
   if hi - lo - max_char_n > k:
      counts[s[lo]] = 1
      lo += 1
  return hi - lo
Best_solution:
Java 12 lines O(n) sliding window solution with explanation
  public int characterReplacement(String s, int k) {
    int len = s.length();
    int[] count = new int[26];
   int start = 0, maxCount = 0, maxLength = 0;
    for (int end = 0; end < len; end++) {
      maxCount = Math.max(maxCount, ++count[s.charAt(end) - 'A']);
      while (end - start + 1 - maxCount > k) {
        count[s.charAt(start) - 'A']--;
        start++;
```

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maxLength = Math.max(maxLength, end - start + 1);
   return maxLength;
 }
426,All O'one Data Structure:
Python_solution:
Accepted Java and Python solution
public class AllOne {
 Node head;
 Node tail;
 Map<String, Integer> keyCountMap;
 Map<Integer, Node> countNodeMap;
 Map<Integer, Set<String>> countKeyMap;
 class Node {
   int count;
   Node prev;
   Node next;
   public Node(int cnt) {
     count = cnt;
     prev = null;
     next = null;
   }
 /** Initialize your data structure here. */
 public AllOne() {
   head = new Node(0);
   tail = new Node(Integer.MAX_VALUE);
   head.next = tail;
   tail.prev = head;
   keyCountMap = new HashMap<>();
   countNodeMap = new HashMap<>();
   countKeyMap = new HashMap<>();
    countNodeMap.put(0, head);
   countNodeMap.put(Integer.MAX_VALUE, tail);
 }
 /** Inserts a new key <Key> with value 1. Or increments an existing key by 1. */
 public void inc(String key) {
   if (!keyCountMap.containsKey(key)) {
     keyCountMap.put(key, 0);
   }
   int preCount = keyCountMap.get(key);
   Node preNode = countNodeMap.get(preCount);
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keyCountMap.put(key, preCount + 1);
 int newCount = keyCountMap.get(key);
 //insert
 //new count is created
 if (newCount != preNode.next.count) {
   Node newNode = new Node(newCount);
   insert(preNode, newNode);
   countKeyMap.put(newCount, new HashSet<String>());
   countNodeMap.put(newCount, newNode);
  countKeyMap.get(newCount).add(key);
 //delete old
 if (preCount > 0) {
   Set<String> oldSet = countKeyMap.get(preCount);
   oldSet.remove(key);
   if (oldSet.isEmpty()) {
     delete(preNode);
     countKeyMap.remove(preCount);
     countNodeMap.remove(preCount);
   }
 }
}
/** Decrements an existing key by 1. If Key's value is 1, remove it from the data structure. */
public void dec(String key) {
 if (!keyCountMap.containsKey(key)) return;
 int preCount = keyCountMap.get(key);
 Node preNode = countNodeMap.get(preCount);
 keyCountMap.put(key, preCount - 1);
 int newCount = keyCountMap.get(key);
 //insert
 //new count occurs
 if (newCount!= 0) {
   if (newCount != preNode.prev.count) {
     Node newNode = new Node(newCount);
     insert(preNode.prev, newNode);
     countKeyMap.put(newCount, new HashSet<String>());
     countNodeMap.put(newCount, newNode);
   countKeyMap.get(newCount).add(key);
 else keyCountMap.remove(key);
 Set<String> oldSet = countKeyMap.get(preCount);
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oldSet.remove(key);
   if (oldSet.isEmpty()) {
     delete(preNode);
      countKeyMap.remove(preCount);
     countNodeMap.remove(preCount);
 }
 /** Returns one of the keys with maximal value. */
 public String getMaxKey() {
   if (head.next == tail) {
     System.out.println("head == tail");
     return "";
   Set<String> set = countKeyMap.get(tail.prev.count);
   return set.iterator().next();
 /** Returns one of the keys with Minimal value. */
 public String getMinKey() {
   if (head.next == tail) return "";
   Set<String> set = countKeyMap.get(head.next.count);
   return set.iterator().next();
 }
 public void insert(Node preNode, Node node) {
   node.next = preNode.next;
   node.prev = preNode;
   node.next.prev = node;
   node.prev.next = node;
 public void delete(Node node) {
   node.next.prev = node.prev;
   node.prev.next = node.next;
 }
}
Best_solution:
All in O(1), with detailed explantation
"A": 4, "B": 4, "C": 2, "D": 1
427, Minimum Genetic Mutation:
Best_solution:
Java Solution using BFS
public class Solution {
 public int minMutation(String start, String end, String[] bank) {
    if(start.equals(end)) return 0;
    Set<String> bankSet = new HashSet<>();
   for(String b: bank) bankSet.add(b);
```

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int level = 0;
    Set<String> visited = new HashSet<>();
    Queue<String> queue = new LinkedList<>();
    queue.offer(start);
    visited.add(start);
    while(!queue.isEmpty()) {
      int size = queue.size();
     while(size-- > 0) {
        String curr = queue.poll();
        if(curr.equals(end)) return level;
        char[] currArray = curr.toCharArray();
        for(int i = 0; i < currArray.length; i++) {
          char old = currArray[i];
          for(char c: charSet) {
            currArray[i] = c;
            String next = new String(currArray);
            if(!visited.contains(next) && bankSet.contains(next)) {
              visited.add(next);
              queue.offer(next);
          currArray[i] = old;
       }
     level++;
   }
   return -1;
 }
}
428, Number of Segments in a String:
Best_solution:
Clean java solution O(n)
public int countSegments(String s) {
  int res=0;
  for(int i=0; i<s.length(); i++)</pre>
   if(s.charAt(i)!=''&& (i==0 || s.charAt(i-1)==''))
     res++;
  return res;
}
Time complexity: O(n)
Space complexity: 0(1)
429,Non-overlapping Intervals:
Python_solution:
Short Ruby and Python
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char[] charSet = new char[]{'A', 'C', 'G', 'T'};

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end
Best_solution:
Java: Least is Most
  public int eraseOverlapIntervals(Interval[] intervals) {
   if (intervals.length == 0) return 0;
   Arrays.sort(intervals, new myComparator());
   int end = intervals[0].end;
   int count = 1:
   for (int i = 1; i < intervals.length; i++) {
      if (intervals[i].start >= end) {
        end = intervals[i].end;
        count++;
      }
   }
   return intervals.length - count;
  class myComparator implements Comparator<Interval> {
   public int compare(Interval a, Interval b) {
      return a.end - b.end;
   }
 }
430,Find Right Interval:
Python_solution:
Python O(nlogn) short solution with explanation
def findRightInterval(self, intervals):
 l = sorted((e.start, i) for i, e in enumerate(intervals))
  res = []
  for e in intervals:
    r = bisect.bisect_left(l, (e.end,))
    res.append(l[r][1] if r < len(l) else -1)
  return res
Best_solution:
Java clear O(n logn) solution based on TreeMap
public class Solution {
  public int[] findRightInterval(Interval[] intervals) {
    int[] result = new int[intervals.length];
   java.util.NavigableMap<Integer, Integer> intervalMap = new TreeMap<>();
   for (int i = 0; i < intervals.length; ++i) {
      intervalMap.put(intervals[i].start, i);
   }
   for (int i = 0; i < intervals.length; ++i) {
      Map.Entry<Integer, Integer> entry = intervalMap.ceilingEntry(intervals[i].end);
      result[i] = (entry != null) ? entry.getValue() : -1;
```

```
return result;
 }
}
431,Path Sum III:
Python_solution:
Python solution with detailed explanation
class SolutionBruteForce(object):
 def find_paths(self, root, target):
    if root:
      return int(root.val == target) + self.find_paths(root.left, target-root.val) + self.find_paths(root.right, target-
root.val)
   return 0
 def pathSum(self, root, sum):
   :type root: TreeNode
   :type sum: int
   :rtype: int
   if root:
     return self.find_paths(root, sum) + self.pathSum(root.left, sum) + self.pathSum(root.right, sum)
    return 0
Best_solution:
17 ms O(n) java Prefix sum method
 public int pathSum(TreeNode root, int sum) {
   HashMap<Integer, Integer> preSum = new HashMap();
   preSum.put(0,1);
   helper(root, 0, sum, preSum);
   return count;
 int count = 0;
 public void helper(TreeNode root, int currSum, int target, HashMap<Integer, Integer> preSum) {
   if (root == null) {
     return;
   }
    currSum += root.val;
   if (preSum.containsKey(currSum - target)) {
     count += preSum.get(currSum - target);
   }
   if (!preSum.containsKey(currSum)) {
     preSum.put(currSum, 1);
   } else {
     preSum.put(currSum, preSum.get(currSum)+1);
   helper(root.left, currSum, target, preSum);
   helper(root.right, currSum, target, preSum);
```

```
preSum.put(currSum, preSum.get(sum) - 1);
432,Find All Anagrams in a String:
Python_solution:
Python Sliding Window Solution using Counter
  from collections import Counter
  def findAnagrams(self, s, p):
   :type s: str
   :type p: str
    :rtype: List[int]
    res = []
   pCounter = Counter(p)
   sCounter = Counter(s[:len(p)-1])
    for i in range(len(p)-1,len(s)):
      sCounter[s[i]] += 1 # include a new char in the window
      if sCounter == pCounter: # This step is O(1), since there are at most 26 English letters
        res.append(i-len(p)+1) # append the starting index
      sCounter[s[i-len(p)+1]] = 1 # decrease the count of oldest char in the window
      if sCounter[s[i-len(p)+1]] == 0:
        del sCounter[s[i-len(p)+1]] # remove the count if it is 0
    return res
Best solution:
Shortest/Concise JAVA O(n) Sliding Window Solution
public List<Integer> findAnagrams(String s, String p) {
  List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>();
  if (s == null || s.length() == 0 || p == null || p.length() == 0) return list;
  int[] hash = new int[256]; //character hash
  //record each character in p to hash
  for (char c : p.toCharArray()) {
   hash[c]++;
  //two points, initialize count to p's length
  int left = 0, right = 0, count = p.length();
  while (right < s.length()) {
    //move right everytime, if the character exists in p's hash, decrease the count
    //current hash value >= 1 means the character is existing in p
   if (hash[s.charAt(right++)]-->= 1) count--;
   //when the count is down to 0, means we found the right anagram
   //then add window's left to result list
   if (count == 0) list.add(left);
    //if we find the window's size equals to p, then we have to move left (narrow the window) to find the new
match window
   //++ to reset the hash because we kicked out the left
   //only increase the count if the character is in p
   //the count >= 0 indicate it was original in the hash, cuz it won't go below 0
```

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if (right - left == p.length() && hash[s.charAt(left++)]++ >= 0) count++;
  return list;
}
434,K-th Smallest in Lexicographical Order:
Python_solution:
C++/Python\ 0ms\ O((\log n)^2)-time O(1)-space super easy solution with detailed explanations
result
Best_solution:
Concise/Easy-to-understand Java 5ms solution with Explaination
public int findKthNumber(int n, int k) {
  int curr = 1;
 k = k - 1;
 while (k > 0) {
   int steps = calSteps(n, curr, curr + 1);
   if (steps <= k) {
     curr += 1;
     k -= steps;
   } else {
      curr *= 10;
     k = 1;
   }
  }
  return curr;
//use long in case of overflow
public\ int\ calSteps(int\ n, long\ n1, long\ n2)\ \{
  int steps = 0;
  while (n1 \le n) {
   steps += Math.min(n + 1, n2) - n1;
   n1 *= 10;
   n2 *= 10;
 }
  return steps;
435,Arranging Coins:
Best_solution:
[JAVA] Clean Code with Explanations and Running Time [2 Solutions]
public class Solution {
  public int arrangeCoins(int n) {
   int start = 0;
   int end = n;
   int mid = 0;
   while (start <= end){
     mid = (start + end) >>> 1;
     if ((0.5 * mid * mid + 0.5 * mid) <= n){
        start = mid + 1;
      }else{
        end = mid - 1;
```

}

```
return start - 1;
}
436,Find All Duplicates in an Array:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) time O(1) space
class Solution(object):
  def findDuplicates(self, nums):
    :type nums: List[int]
    :rtype: List[int]
    res = []
    for x in nums:
      if nums[abs(x)-1] < 0:
        res.append(abs(x))
      else:
        nums[abs(x)-1] *= -1
    return res
Best solution:
Java Simple Solution
public class Solution {
  // when find a number i, flip the number at position i-1 to negative.
  // if the number at position i-1 is already negative, i is the number that occurs twice.
  public List<Integer> findDuplicates(int[] nums) {
    List<Integer> res = new ArrayList<>();
    for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; ++i) {
      int index = Math.abs(nums[i])-1;
      if (nums[index] < 0)
        res.add(Math.abs(index+1));
      nums[index] = -nums[index];
    }
    return res;
 }
}
438,Add Two Numbers II:
Python_solution:
There is no maximum of INT in python, so....
def addTwoNumbers(self, l1, l2):
    x1, x2 = 0, 0
    while l1:
      x1 = x1*10+l1.val
      l1 = l1.next
    while 12:
      x2 = x2*10+12.val
      12 = 12.next
```

```
x = x1 + x2
   head = ListNode(0)
   if x == 0: return head
   while x:
     v, x = x\%10, x//10
     head.next, head.next.next = ListNode(v), head.next
    return head.next
Best_solution:
Easy O(n) Java Solution using Stack
public class Solution {
  public ListNode addTwoNumbers(ListNode l1, ListNode l2) {
    Stack<Integer> s1 = new Stack<Integer>();
    Stack<Integer> s2 = new Stack<Integer>();
   while(l1!= null) {
     s1.push(l1.val);
     l1 = l1.next;
   while(l2 != null) {
     s2.push(l2.val);
     12 = 12.next;
   }
   int sum = 0;
   ListNode list = new ListNode(0);
   while (!s1.empty() || !s2.empty()) {
     if (!s1.empty()) sum += s1.pop();
     if (!s2.empty()) sum += s2.pop();
     list.val = sum \% 10;
     ListNode head = new ListNode(sum / 10);
     head.next = list;
     list = head;
     sum /= 10;
   }
   return list.val == 0 ? list.next : list;
}
439, Arithmetic Slices II - Subsequence:
Python_solution:
Python Solution from the Author
class Solution(object):
  def numberOfArithmeticSlices(self, A):
   :type A: List[int]
   :rtype: int
```

```
lookup = {}
   for i, a in enumerate(A):
     if a in lookup:
        lookup[a].append(i)
      else:
        lookup[a] = [i]
   dp = []
   for _ in range(len(A)):
     dp.append({})
   for k, num in enumerate(A):
      for i in range(0, k):
        diff = A[k] - A[i]
        X = A[i] - diff
        if X in lookup:
          for index in lookup[X]:
            if index < i:
              dp[k][diff] = dp[k].get(diff, 0) + 1
        if diff in dp[i]:
          dp[k][diff] = dp[k].get(diff, 0) + dp[i][diff]
    res = 0
   for x in dp:
     for k in x:
        res += x[k]
   return res
Best_solution:
Detailed explanation for Java O(n^2) solution
T(i)
440, Number of Boomerangs:
Python_solution:
Short Python O(n^2) hashmap solution
   res = 0
   for p in points:
     cmap = {}
     for q in points:
        f = p[0]-q[0]
        s = p[1]-q[1]
        cmap[f*f + s*s] = 1 + cmap.get(f*f + s*s, 0)
      for k in cmap:
        res += cmap[k] * (cmap[k] -1)
    return res
Best_solution:
Clean java solution: O(n^2) 166ms
public int numberOfBoomerangs(int[][] points) {
  int res = 0;
```

```
Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
  for(int i=0; i<points.length; i++) {</pre>
   for(int j=0; j<points.length; j++) {
     if(i == j)
        continue;
     int d = getDistance(points[i], points[j]);
     map.put(d, map.getOrDefault(d, 0) + 1);
    for(int val : map.values()) {
     res += val * (val-1);
   map.clear();
 return res;
}
private int getDistance(int[] a, int[] b) {
  int dx = a[0] - b[0];
 int dy = a[1] - b[1];
  return dx*dx + dy*dy;
}
Time complexity: O(n^2)
Space complexity: O(n)
441,Find All Numbers Disappeared in an Array:
Python_solution:
Python 4 lines with short explanation
class Solution(object):
  def findDisappearedNumbers(self, nums):
   :type nums: List[int]
   :rtype: List[int]
    # For each number i in nums,
    # we mark the number that i points as negative.
    # Then we filter the list, get all the indexes
    # who points to a positive number
   for i in xrange(len(nums)):
     index = abs(nums[i]) - 1
     nums[index] = - abs(nums[index])
    return [i + 1 for i in range(len(nums)) if nums[i] > 0]
```

Best_solution:

Java accepted simple solution nums[nums[i] -1] = -nums[nums[i]-1]

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442, Serialize and Deserialize BST:
Python_solution:
Python O(N) solution. easy to understand
class Codec:
  def serialize(self, root):
   vals = ∏
   def preOrder(node):
      if node:
        vals.append(node.val)
        preOrder(node.left)
        preOrder(node.right)
   preOrder(root)
    return ''.join(map(str, vals))
  # O(N) since each val run build once
  def deserialize(self, data):
   vals = collections.deque(int(val) for val in data.split())
   def build(minVal, maxVal):
     if vals and minVal < vals[0] < maxVal:
        val = vals.popleft()
        node = TreeNode(val)
        node.left = build(minVal, val)
        node.right = build(val, maxVal)
        return node
    return build(float('-infinity'), float('infinity'))
Best_solution:
Java PreOrder + Queue solution
root left1 left2 leftX right1 rightX
443,Delete Node in a BST:
Python_solution:
Bottom-up Recursive Python Solution. O(log(n)) Time.
class Solution(object):
  def deleteNode(self, root, key):
   :type root: TreeNode
   :type key: int
   :rtype: TreeNode
   if not root: return None
   if root.val == key:
     if root.left:
```

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# Find the right most leaf of the left sub-tree
        left_right_most = root.left
        while left_right_most.right:
          left_right_most = left_right_most.right
        # Attach right child to the right of that leaf
        left_right_most.right = root.right
        # Return left child instead of root, a.k.a delete root
        return root.left
      else:
        return root.right
    # If left or right child got deleted, the returned root is the child of the deleted node.
   elif root.val > key:
      root.left = self.deleteNode(root.left, key)
   else:
      root.right = self.deleteNode(root.right, key)
    return root
Best_solution:
Recursive Easy to Understand Java Solution
public TreeNode deleteNode(TreeNode root, int key) {
  if(root == null){
    return null;
  if(key < root.val){
    root.left = deleteNode(root.left, key);
  }else if(key > root.val){
    root.right = deleteNode(root.right, key);
  }else{
   if(root.left == null){
      return root.right;
   }else if(root.right == null){
      return root.left;
   }
   TreeNode minNode = findMin(root.right);
   root.val = minNode.val;
   root.right = deleteNode(root.right, root.val);
  }
  return root;
}
private TreeNode findMin(TreeNode node){
  while(node.left!=null){
   node = node.left;
 }
  return node;
}
444,Sort Characters By Frequency:
Python_solution:
1 line Python code.
```

```
class Solution(object):
  def frequencySort(self, str):
   :type str: str
   :rtype: str
   return "".join([char * times for char, times in collections.Counter(str).most_common()])
Best_solution:
C++ O(n) solution without sort()
class Solution {
public:
  string frequencySort(string s) {
    unordered_map<char,int> freq;
   vector<string> bucket(s.size()+1, "");
   string res;
   //count frequency of each character
   for(char c:s) freq[c]++;
    //put character into frequency bucket
   for(auto&it:freq) {
     int n = it.second;
     char c = it.first;
     bucket[n].append(n, c);
   //form descending sorted string
   for(int i=s.size(); i>0; i--) {
      if(!bucket[i].empty())
        res.append(bucket[i]);
   }
   return res;
};
445, Minimum Number of Arrows to Burst Balloons:
Python_solution:
Greedy, Python (132 ms)
class Solution(object):
  def findMinArrowShots(self, points):
   :type points: List[List[int]]
   :rtype: int
   points = sorted(points, key = lambda x: x[1])
   res, end = 0, -float('inf')
   for interval in points:
     if interval[0] > end:
        res += 1
        end = interval[1]
    return res
```

Best_solution:

```
Java Greedy Soution
public int findMinArrowShots(int[][] points) {
         if(points==null || points.length==0 || points[0].length==0) return 0;
         Arrays.sort(points, new Comparator<int[]>() {
                   public int compare(int[] a, int[] b) {
                             if(a[0]==b[0]) return a[1]-b[1];
                             else return a[0]-b[0];
                   }
         });
         int minArrows = 1;
         int arrowLimit = points[0][1];
         for(int i=1;i<points.length;i++) {</pre>
                   int[] baloon = points[i];
                   if(baloon[0]<=arrowLimit) {</pre>
                             arrowLimit=Math.min(arrowLimit, baloon[1]);
                   } else {
                             minArrows++;
                             arrowLimit=baloon[1];
                   }
         return minArrows;
}
446, Minimum Moves to Equal Array Elements:
Best_solution:
Java O(n) solution. Short.
1
447,4Sum II:
Python_solution:
Easy 2 lines O(N^2) Python
def fourSumCount(self, A, B, C, D):
  AB = collections.Counter(a+b for a in A for b in B)
  return sum(AB[-c-d] for c in C for d in D)
Best_solution:
Clean java solution O(n^2)
public int fourSumCount(int[] A, int[] B, int[] C, int[] D) {
  Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
  for(int i=0; i<C.length; i++) {</pre>
   for(int j=0; j<D.length; j++) {</pre>
      int sum = C[i] + D[j];
      map.put(sum, map.getOrDefault(sum, 0) + 1);
   }
  }
 int res=0;
  for(int i=0; i<A.length; i++) {</pre>
   for(int j=0; j<B.length; j++) {
      res += map.getOrDefault(-1 * (A[i]+B[j]), 0);
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}
  return res;
}
Time complexity: O(n^2)
Space complexity: O(n^2)
448, Assign Cookies:
Python_solution:
Python concise & efficient solution
def findContentChildren(self, g, s):
  g.sort()
  s.sort()
  res = 0
 i = 0
  for e in s:
    if i == len(g):
      break
    if e \ge g[i]:
      res += 1
      i += 1
  return res
Best_solution:
Simple Greedy Java Solution
Arrays.sort(g);
Arrays.sort(s);
int i = 0;
for(int j=0; i < g.length \&\& j < s.length; j++) \{
         if(g[i] \le s[j]) i++;
}
return i;
449,132 Pattern:
Python_solution:
Python solution in O(nlogn)
left
Best_solution:
Single pass C++O(n) space and time solution (8 lines) with detailed explanation.
s1,s2,s3
450,Circular Array Loop:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) solution with explaination
def circularArrayLoop(self, nums):
    :type nums: List[int]
    :rtype: bool
    for i in range(len(nums)):
      count = 0
```

```
pre = i
     isloop = True
     if nums[i] == 0:
       break
     is\_forward = nums[i]>0
     while count<len(nums):
       count += 1
        cur = (pre+nums[pre])%len(nums)
        if pre == cur or (nums[cur]>0) ^ is_forward:# stop if running into a dead end or different sign element
          isloop = False
         break
        else:
         pre = cur
     if isloop:
        return True
     else: # mark all the elements on the wrong path as visited
       pre = i
       while count > 0:
         cur = (pre+nums[pre])%len(nums)
         nums[pre] = 0
         pre = cur
         count -= 1
   return False
Best_solution:
I cannot understand why test case [-2, 1, -1, -2, -2] gives false?
None
451,Poor Pigs:
Best_solution:
Another explanation and solution
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25
452, Repeated Substring Pattern:
Python_solution:
Easy python solution with explaination
def repeatedSubstringPattern(self, str):
   :type str: str
   :rtype: bool
   if not str:
     return False
   ss = (str + str)[1:-1]
   return ss.find(str)!=-1
```

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Best_solution:
Easy python solution with explaination def repeated Substring Pattern (self, str):
```

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:type str: str
   :rtype: bool
   if not str:
      return False
   ss = (str + str)[1:-1]
    return ss.find(str)!=-1
453,LFU Cache:
Python_solution:
Python shitty O(1) solution with two dict and one linkedlist
class ListNode(object):
  def __init__(self, key, val):
   self.prev = None
   self.next = None
   self.val = val
   self.key = key
  def connect(self, nextNode):
   self.next = nextNode
   nextNode.prev = self
class LFUCache(object):
  def __init__(self, capacity):
    :type capacity: int
   self.cap = capacity
   self.head = ListNode(None, None)
   self.tail = ListNode(None, None)
   self.head.connect(self.tail)
    #use to record the first ListNode of this count number
   self.cnt = {0: self.tail}
    # key: key , value:[ListNode, visit count]
   self.kv = {None:[self.tail, 0]}
  def moveforward(self, key):
    node, cnt = self.kv[key]
   self.add('tmp', node.val, cnt + 1)
   self.remove(key)
   self.kv[key] = self.kv['tmp']
   self.kv[key][0].key = key
   del self.kv['tmp']
```

```
def get(self, key):
 :type key: int
 :rtype: int
 if key not in self.kv:
   return -1
 self.moveforward(key)
  return self.kv[key][0].val
def set(self, key, value):
 :type key: int
 :type value: int
 :rtype: void
 if self.cap == 0:
   return
 if key in self.kv:
   self.kv[key][0].val = value
   self.moveforward(key)
    return
  if len(self.kv) > self.cap:
    self.remove(self.tail.prev.key)
  self.add(key, value, 0)
def remove(self, key):
  node, cnt = self.kv[key]
 if self.cnt[cnt] != node:
    node.prev.connect(node.next)
 elif self.kv[node.next.key][1] == cnt:
    node.prev.connect(node.next)
    self.cnt[cnt] = self.cnt[cnt].next
 else:
    node.prev.connect(node.next)
    del self.cnt[cnt]
 del self.kv[key]
def add(self, key, value, cnt):
  if cnt in self.cnt:
   loc = self.cnt[cnt]
 else:
   loc = self.cnt[cnt - 1]
  node = ListNode(key, value)
 loc.prev.connect(node)
  node.connect(loc)
 self.cnt[cnt] = node
 self.kv[key] = [node, cnt]
```

```
# obj = LFUCache(capacity)
# param_1 = obj.get(key)
# obj.set(key,value)
Best_solution:
Java O(1) Accept Solution Using HashMap, DoubleLinkedList and LinkedHashSet
public class LFUCache {
 private Node head = null;
 private int cap = 0;
 private HashMap<Integer, Integer> valueHash = null;
 private HashMap<Integer, Node> nodeHash = null;
 public LFUCache(int capacity) {
   this.cap = capacity;
   valueHash = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
   nodeHash = new HashMap<Integer, Node>();
 public int get(int key) {
   if (valueHash.containsKey(key)) {
     increaseCount(key);
     return valueHash.get(key);
   }
   return -1;
 }
 public void set(int key, int value) {
   if (cap == 0) return;
   if (valueHash.containsKey(key)) {
     valueHash.put(key, value);
     if (valueHash.size() < cap) {
       valueHash.put(key, value);
     } else {
        removeOld();
       valueHash.put(key, value);
     }
     addToHead(key);
   increaseCount(key);
 private void addToHead(int key) {
   if (head == null) {
     head = new Node(0);
     head.keys.add(key);
   } else if (head.count > 0) {
     Node node = new Node(0);
     node.keys.add(key);
     node.next = head;
     head.prev = node;
     head = node;
   } else {
```

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head.keys.add(key);
 nodeHash.put(key, head);
}
private void increaseCount(int key) {
 Node node = nodeHash.get(key);
 node.keys.remove(key);
 if (node.next == null) {
   node.next = new Node(node.count+1);
   node.next.prev = node;
   node.next.keys.add(key);
 } else if (node.next.count == node.count+1) {
   node.next.keys.add(key);
   Node tmp = new Node(node.count+1);
   tmp.keys.add(key);
   tmp.prev = node;
   tmp.next = node.next;
   node.next.prev = tmp;
   node.next = tmp;
 }
 nodeHash.put(key, node.next);
 if (node.keys.size() == 0) remove(node);
private void removeOld() {
 if (head == null) return;
 int old = 0;
 for (int n: head.keys) {
   old = n;
   break;
 }
 head.keys.remove(old);
 if (head.keys.size() == 0) remove(head);
 nodeHash.remove(old);
 valueHash.remove(old);
private void remove(Node node) {
 if (node.prev == null) {
   head = node.next;
 } else {
   node.prev.next = node.next;
 if (node.next != null) {
   node.next.prev = node.prev;
}
class Node {
```

```
public int count = 0;
   public LinkedHashSet<Integer> keys = null;
   public Node prev = null, next = null;
   public Node(int count) {
     this.count = count;
     keys = new LinkedHashSet<Integer>();
     prev = next = null;
   }
 }
454, Hamming Distance:
Python_solution:
Python 1 line 49ms
class Solution(object):
 def hammingDistance(self, x, y):
   z = x \wedge y
   count = 0
   while z > 0:
     count += z & 1
     z >>= 1
   return count
Best_solution:
Java 1 Line Solution:D
"corresponding bits are different"
455, Minimum Moves to Equal Array Elements II:
Python_solution:
2 lines Python, 2 ways
def minMoves2(self, nums):
 median = sorted(nums)[len(nums) / 2]
 return sum(abs(num - median) for num in nums)
def minMoves2(self, nums):
 nums.sort()
 return sum(nums[\simi] - nums[i] for i in range(len(nums) / 2))
Best_solution:
Java(just like meeting point problem)
public class Solution {
 public int minMoves2(int[] nums) {
   Arrays.sort(nums);
   int i = 0, j = nums.length-1;
   int count = 0;
   while(i < j){
     count += nums[j]-nums[i];
     i++;
     j--;
   }
   return count;
```

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456, Island Perimeter:
Python_solution:
Short Python
def islandPerimeter(self, grid):
  return sum(sum(map(operator.ne, [0] + row, row + [0]))
       for row in grid + map(list, zip(*grid)))
Best solution:
clear and easy java solution
public class Solution {
  public int islandPerimeter(int[][] grid) {
   int islands = 0, neighbours = 0;
   for (int i = 0; i < grid.length; i++) {
      for (int j = 0; j < grid[i].length; j++) {
        if (grid[i][j] == 1) {
          islands++; // count islands
          if (i < grid.length - 1 && grid[i + 1][j] == 1) neighbours++; // count down neighbours
          if (j < grid[i].length - 1 && grid[i][j + 1] == 1) neighbours++; // count right neighbours
     }
   }
   return islands * 4 - neighbours * 2;
}
457,Can I Win:
Python_solution:
Python solution, easy to understand
  def canIWin(self, maxChoosableInteger, desiredTotal):
   :type maxChoosableInteger: int
   :type desiredTotal: int
   :rtype: bool
   if (1 + maxChoosableInteger) * maxChoosableInteger/2 < desiredTotal:
     return False
   self.memo = {}
    return self.helper(range(1, maxChoosableInteger + 1), desiredTotal)
  def helper(self, nums, desiredTotal):
   hash = str(nums)
   if hash in self.memo:
      return self.memo[hash]
   if nums[-1] >= desiredTotal:
      return True
```

}

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for i in range(len(nums)):
     if not self.helper(nums[:i] + nums[i+1:], desiredTotal - nums[i]):
        self.memo[hash]= True
        return True
   self.memo[hash] = False
   return False
Best_solution:
Java solution using HashMap with detailed explanation
0(2^n)
459,Count The Repetitions:
Best_solution:
Ugly Java brute force solution, but accepted. 1088ms.
public class Solution {
  public int getMaxRepetitions (String s1, int n1, String s2, int n2) \, \{
    char[] array1 = s1.toCharArray(), array2 = s2.toCharArray();
   int count1 = 0, count2 = 0, i = 0, j = 0;
   while (count1 < n1) {
     if (array1[i] == array2[j]) {
        j++;
        if (j == array2.length) {
          j = 0;
          count2++;
       }
      }
     i++;
     if (i == array1.length) {
       i = 0;
        count1++;
   return count2 / n2;
 }
}
460, Unique Substrings in Wraparound String:
Python_solution:
Concise O(n) 6-liner in Python
'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyza'
Best_solution:
Concise Java solution using DP
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461, Validate IP Address:
Python_solution:
Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def validIPAddress(self, IP):
   def is_hex(s):
     hex_digits = set("0123456789abcdefABCDEF")
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for char in s:
        if not (char in hex_digits):
          return False
      return True
   ary = IP.split('.')
   if len(ary) == 4:
      for i in xrange(len(ary)):
        if not ary [i].isdigit() or not 0 \le int(ary[i]) \le 256 or (ary[i][0] == '0' and len(ary[i]) > 1:
          return "Neither"
      return "IPv4"
    ary = IP.split(':')
   if len(ary) == 8:
      for i in xrange(len(ary)):
        tmp = ary[i]
        if len(tmp) == 0 or not len(tmp) <= 4 or not is_hex(tmp):</pre>
          return "Neither"
      return "IPv6"
    return "Neither"
Best_solution:
Java Simple Solution
public String validIPAddress(String IP) {
         if(isValidIPv4(IP)) return "IPv4";
         else if(isValidIPv6(IP)) return "IPv6";
         else return "Neither";
}
public boolean isValidIPv4(String ip) {
         if(ip.length()<7) return false;</pre>
         if(ip.charAt(0)=='.') return false;
         if(ip.charAt(ip.length()-1)=='.') return false;
         String[] tokens = ip.split("\\.");
         if(tokens.length!=4) return false;
         for(String token:tokens) {
                   if(!isValidIPv4Token(token)) return false;
         }
         return true;
}
public boolean isValidIPv4Token(String token) {
         if(token.startsWith("0") && token.length()>1) return false;
         try {
                   int parsedInt = Integer.parseInt(token);
                   if(parsedInt<0 || parsedInt>255) return false;
                   if(parsedInt==0 && token.charAt(0)!='0') return false;
         } catch(NumberFormatException nfe) {
                   return false:
         }
         return true;
}
public boolean isValidIPv6(String ip) {
         if(ip.length()<15) return false;
         if(ip.charAt(0)==':') return false;
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if(ip.charAt(ip.length()-1)==':') return false;
         String[] tokens = ip.split(":");
         if(tokens.length!=8) return false;
         for(String token: tokens) {
                  if(!isValidIPv6Token(token)) return false;
         }
         return true;
}
public boolean isValidIPv6Token(String token) {
         if(token.length()>4 || token.length()==0) return false;
         char[] chars = token.toCharArray();
         for(char c:chars) {
                  boolean isDigit = c > = 48 \&\& c < = 57;
                  boolean isUppercaseAF = c>=65 && c<=70;
                  boolean isLowerCaseAF = c>=97 && c<=102;
                  if(!(isDigit || isUppercaseAF || isLowerCaseAF))
                            return false;
         }
         return true;
}
464,Concatenated Words:
Python_solution:
Python Explanation
S = set(A)
ans = \prod
for word in A:
if not word: continue
stack = [0]
 seen = \{0\}
 M = len(word)
 while stack:
 node = stack.pop()
  if node == M:
  ans.append(word)
  break
  for j in xrange(M - node + 1):
   if (word[node:node+j] in S and
     node + j not in seen and
     (node > 0 or node + j!= M)):
    stack.append(node + j)
   seen.add(node + j)
return ans
Best solution:
Java DP Solution
DP
465, Matchsticks to Square:
Python_solution:
Python Explanation
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if len(A) < 4 or sum(A) \% 4 or max(A) > sum(A) / 4:
return False
T = sum(A) / 4
N = len(A)
A.sort()
memo = {}
def dp(mask, cur = T):
if (mask, cur) in memo: return memo[mask, cur]
 if mask == 0: return cur == 0
 if cur == 0: return dp(mask, T)
 ans = False
 for bit in xrange(N):
 if mask & (1 << bit):
  if A[bit] > cur:
   break
   if dp(mask ^(1 \ll bit), cur - A[bit]):
   ans = True
   break
 memo[mask, cur] = ans
 return ans
return dp(2**N - 1)
Best_solution:
Java DFS Solution with Explanation
466,Ones and Zeroes:
Python_solution:
0-1 knapsack in python
dp(k, x, y) = max(dp(k-1, x-z, y-o) + 1, dp(k-1, x, y)) \quad (z \text{ is zeroes in strs}[k], o \text{ is ones in strs}[k])
Best_solution:
c++ DP solution with comments
int findMaxForm(vector<string>& strs, int m, int n) {
vector<vector<int>> memo(m+1, vector<int>(n+1, 0));
 int numZeroes, numOnes;
 for (auto &s: strs) {
 numZeroes = numOnes = 0;
  // count number of zeroes and ones in current string
  for (auto c:s) {
  if (c == '0')
         numZeroes++;
   else if (c == '1')
         numOnes++;
  }
  // memo[i][j] = the max number of strings that can be formed with i 0's and j 1's
  // from the first few strings up to the current string \boldsymbol{s}
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// Catch: have to go from bottom right to top left
 // Why? If a cell in the memo is updated(because s is selected),
 // we should be adding 1 to memo[i][j] from the previous iteration (when we were not considering s)
 // If we go from top left to bottom right, we would be using results from this iteration => overcounting
 for (int i = m; i \ge numZeroes; i--) {
        for (int j = n; j \ge numOnes; j--) {
    memo[i][j] = max(memo[i][j], memo[i - numZeroes][j - numOnes] + 1);
 }
}
return memo[m][n];
467,Heaters:
Python_solution:
Short Python
Best_solution:
Short and Clean Java Binary Search Solution
Arrays.binarySearch()
468, Number Complement:
Python_solution:
Simple Python
class Solution(object):
 def findComplement(self, num):
   i = 1
   while i <= num:
     i = i << 1
   return (i - 1) ^ num
Best_solution:
3 line C++
class Solution {
public:
 int findComplement(int num) {
   unsigned mask = \sim 0;
   while (num & mask) mask <<= 1;
   return ~mask & ~num;
};
469,Total Hamming Distance:
Python_solution:
Python via Strings
def totalHammingDistance(self, nums):
 return sum(b.count('0') * b.count('1') for b in zip(*map('{:032b}'.format, nums)))
Best_solution:
Java O(n) time O(1) Space
public int totalHammingDistance(int[] nums) {
 int total = 0, n = nums.length;
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for (int j=0; j<32; j++) {
   int bitCount = 0;
   for (int i=0;i< n;i++)
     bitCount += (nums[i] >> j) & 1;
   total += bitCount*(n - bitCount);
  return total;
}
470,Largest Palindrome Product:
Python_solution:
Time limit exceeded in Python
class Solution(object):
  def largestPalindrome(self, n):
   :type n: int
   :rtype: int
   if n==1: return 9
   upper = 10**n-1
                           # Largest n-digit number
    firstHalf = int(upper*upper/10**n) # First n digits of largest palindrome
    # Loop over palindromes
    found = False
    while not found:
      secondHalf = int(str(firstHalf)[::-1])
     tryThis = firstHalf*10**n + secondHalf
      # Loop over a. If a is an integer multiple of tryThis, you win.
      for a in xrange(upper, 0, -1):
        # Test for b more than n digits or a^2 greater than the palindrome.
        # (The second check is valid because we are searching in decreasing order of a).
        if tryThis/a > upper or a*a < tryThis:
          break
        if tryThis \% a == 0:
          found = True
          break
      firstHalf -= 1
    return tryThis % 1337
Best_solution:
Java Solution using assumed max palindrom
   public int largestPalindrome(int n) {
   // if input is 1 then max is 9
   if(n == 1){
      return 9;
   // if n = 3 then upperBound = 999 and lowerBound = 99
   int upperBound = (int) Math.pow(10, n) - 1, lowerBound = upperBound / 10;
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long maxNumber = (long) upperBound * (long) upperBound;
   // represents the first half of the maximum assumed palindrom.
   // e.g. if n = 3 then maxNumber = 999 x 999 = 998001 so firstHalf = 998
   int firstHalf = (int)(maxNumber / (long) Math.pow(10, n));
   boolean palindromFound = false;
   long palindrom = 0;
   while (!palindromFound) {
      // creates maximum assumed palindrom
     // e.g. if n = 3 first time the maximum assumed palindrom will be 998 899
     palindrom = createPalindrom(firstHalf);
     // here i and palindrom/i forms the two factor of assumed palindrom
     for (long i = upperBound; upperBound > lowerBound; i--) {
       // if n= 3 none of the factor of palindrom can be more than 999 or less than square root of assumed
       if (palindrom / i > maxNumber || i * i < palindrom) {
         break;
       // if two factors found, where both of them are n-digits,
       if (palindrom \% i == 0) {
         palindromFound = true;
         break;
       }
     }
     firstHalf--;
   return (int) (palindrom % 1337);
 }
 private long createPalindrom(long num) {
   String str = num + new StringBuilder().append(num).reverse().toString();
   return Long.parseLong(str);
 }
471,Sliding Window Median:
Python_solution:
Easy Python O(nk)
def medianSlidingWindow(self, nums, k):
 window = sorted(nums[:k])
 medians = \Pi
 for a, b in zip(nums, nums[k:] + [0]):
   medians.append((window[k/2] + window[\sim(k/2)]) / 2.)
   window.remove(a)
   bisect.insort(window, b)
  return medians
Best_solution:
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O(n log k) C++ using multiset and updating middle-iterator
vector<double> medianSlidingWindow(vector<int>& nums, int k) {
 multiset<int> window(nums.begin(), nums.begin() + k);
 auto mid = next(window.begin(), k / 2);
 vector<double> medians;
 for (int i=k;; i++) {
   // Push the current median.
   medians.push\_back((double(*mid) + *prev(mid, 1 - k%2)) / 2);
   // If all done, return.
   if (i == nums.size())
     return medians;
   // Insert nums[i].
   window.insert(nums[i]);
   if (nums[i] < *mid)
     mid--;
   // Erase nums[i-k].
   if(nums[i-k] \le *mid)
     mid++;
   window.erase(window.lower_bound(nums[i-k]));
 }
}
472, Magical String:
Python_solution:
Short Python using queue
class Solution(object):
 def magicalString(self, n):
   :type n: int
   :rtype: int
   S = [1,2,2]
   idx = 2
   while len(S) < n:
     S += S[idx] * [(3 - S[-1])]
     idx += 1
   return S[:n].count(1)
Best_solution:
Simple Java solution using one array and two pointers
int
473,License Key Formatting:
Python_solution:
Python solution
class Solution(object):
 def licenseKeyFormatting(self, S, K):
   :type S: str
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:type K: int
    :rtype: str
    S = S.upper().replace('-','')
    size = len(S)
    s1 = K if size%K==0 else size%K
    res = S[:s1]
    while s1<size:
      res += '-'+S[s1:s1+K]
      s1 += K
    return res
Best_solution:
Java 5 lines clean solution
  public \, String \, license Key Formatting (String \, s, \, int \, k) \, \{
    StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
    for (int i = s.length() - 1; i >= 0; i--)
      if (s.charAt(i) != '-')
        sb.append(sb.length() \% (k + 1) == k ? '-' : "").append(s.charAt(i));
    return sb.reverse().toString().toUpperCase();
  }
474,Smallest Good Base:
Python_solution:
Python solution with detailed mathematical explanation and derivation
import math
class Solution(object):
  def smallestGoodBase(self, n):
    :type n: str
    :rtype: str
    111111
    n = int(n)
    max_m = int(math.log(n,2)) # Refer [7]
    for m in range(max_m,1,-1):
      k = int(n^{**}m^{**}-1) # Refer [6]
      if (k^{**}(m+1)-1)//(k-1) == n:
        # Refer [3]
        return str(k)
    return str(n-1)
Best_solution:
3ms, AC, C++, long long int + binary search
class Solution {
public:
  string smallestGoodBase(string n) {
  unsigned long long tn=(unsigned long long)stoll(n);
  unsigned long long x=1;
  for (int i=62;i>=1;i--) {
    if((x << i) < tn) 
      unsigned long long cur=mysolve(tn,i);
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if (cur!=0) return to_string(cur);
   }
 }
 return to_string(tn-1);
 }
unsigned long long mysolve(unsigned long long n,int d) {
 double tn=(double) n;
 unsigned long long right=(unsigned long long)(pow(tn,1.0/d)+1);
 unsigned long long left=1;
 while (left<=right){
   unsigned long long mid=left+(right-left)/2;
   unsigned long long sum=1,cur=1;
   for (int i=1; i <= d; i++) {
     cur*=mid;
     sum+=cur;
   }
   if (sum==n) return mid;
   if (sum>n) right=mid-1;
   else left=mid+1;
 return 0;
}
};
476,Max Consecutive Ones:
Python_solution:
Simple Python
class Solution(object):
 def findMaxConsecutiveOnes(self, nums):
    cnt = 0
   ans = 0
   for num in nums:
     if num == 1:
       cnt += 1
       ans = max(ans, cnt)
     else:
        cnt = 0
    return ans
Best_solution:
Java 4 lines concise solution with explanation
 public int findMaxConsecutiveOnes(int[] nums) {
   int maxHere = 0, max = 0;
   for (int n: nums)
     max = Math.max(max, maxHere = n == 0?0 : maxHere + 1);
   return max;
```

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Python_solution:
Python with memorization [48 ms]
class Solution(object):
  def PredictTheWinner(self, nums):
   def check(left, right, memo):
     if left > right:
        return 0
      if left == right:
        return nums[left]
      if not (left, right) in memo:
        ss = sum(nums[left: right + 1])
        l, r = ss - check(left + 1, right, memo) + nums[left], ss - check(left, right - 1, memo) + nums[right]
        memo[(left, right)] = max(l, r)
      return memo[(left, right)]
   s = sum(nums)
    c1 = check(0, len(nums) - 1, {})
    return c1 >= s - c1
Best_solution:
Java 1 Line Recursion Solution
public class Solution {
  public boolean PredictTheWinner(int[] nums) {
    return helper(nums, 0, nums.length-1)>=0;
 private int helper(int[] nums, int s, int e){
   return s==e? nums[e]: Math.max(nums[e] - helper(nums, s, e-1), nums[s] - helper(nums, s+1, e));
 }
}
479,Zuma Game:
Python_solution:
DP O(N^3) Solution in Python with explanation
getBalls()
Best_solution:
Standard test program is wrong?
"RRWWRRBBRR", "WB"
481, Increasing Subsequences:
Python_solution:
Simple Python
def findSubsequences(self, nums):
  subs = \{()\}
  for num in nums:
    subs = {sub + (num,)}
        for sub in subs
        if not sub or sub[-1] <= num}
  return [sub for sub in subs if len(sub) >= 2]
Best_solution:
Java 20 lines backtracking solution using set, beats 100%.
public class Solution {
```

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public List<List<Integer>> findSubsequences(int[] nums) {
    Set<List<Integer>> res= new HashSet<List<Integer>>();
    List<Integer> holder = new ArrayList<Integer>();
    findSequence(res, holder, 0, nums);
    List result = new ArrayList(res);
    return result;
  }
  public void findSequence(Set<List<Integer>> res, List<Integer> holder, int index, int[] nums) {
    if(holder.size() >= 2) {
      res.add(new ArrayList(holder));
   for (int i = index; i < nums.length; i++) {
      if(holder.size() == 0 || holder.get(holder.size() - 1) <= nums[i]) {
        holder.add(nums[i]);
        findSequence(res, holder, i + 1, nums);
        holder.remove(holder.size() - 1);
     }
   }
 }
482,Construct the Rectangle:
Python_solution:
Simple Python
class Solution(object):
  def constructRectangle(self, area):
    mid = int(math.sqrt(area))
   while mid > 0:
      if area \% mid == 0:
        return [int(area / mid), int(mid)]
      mid -= 1
Best_solution:
3 line Clean and easy understand solution
public int[] constructRectangle(int area) {
   int w = (int)Math.sqrt(area);
         while (area%w!=0) w--;
         return new int[]{area/w, w};
}
483,Reverse Pairs:
Python_solution:
Python divide & conquer and DP
class Solution(object):
  def reversePairs(self, nums):
    return self.helper(nums, 0, len(nums))
  def helper(self, nums, l, r):
   mid = l + r >> 1
   if mid == l: return 0
   total = self.helper(nums, l, mid) + self.helper(nums, mid, r)
```

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prev_total = 0
    for i in range(l, mid):
      target = nums[i] - 1 >> 1
      idx = bisect.bisect_right(nums, target, mid, r)
      prev_total += idx - mid
      mid = idx
      total += prev_total
    nums[l: r] = sorted(nums[l: r])
    return total
Best_solution:
General principles behind problems similar to "Reverse Pairs"
BST
484, Target Sum:
Python_solution:
Python DP
class Solution(object):
  def findTargetSumWays(self, nums, S):
   if not nums:
      return 0
   dic = \{nums[0]: 1, -nums[0]: 1\} \text{ if } nums[0] != 0 \text{ else } \{0: 2\}
   for i in range(1, len(nums)):
      tdic = {}
      for d in dic:
        tdic[d + nums[i]] = tdic.get(d + nums[i], 0) + dic.get(d, 0)
        tdic[d - nums[i]] = tdic.get(d - nums[i], 0) + dic.get(d, 0)
      dic = tdic
    return dic.get(S, 0)
Best_solution:
Java (15 ms) C++ (3 ms) O(ns) iterative DP solution using subset sum with explanation
nums
485,Teemo Attacking:
Python_solution:
Python Solution for Teemo
class Solution(object):
  def findPoisonedDuration(self, timeSeries, duration):
   ans = duration * len(timeSeries)
    for i in range(1,len(timeSeries)):
      ans -= max(0, duration - (timeSeries[i] - timeSeries[i-1]))
    return ans
Best_solution:
Python Solution for Teemo
class Solution(object):
  def findPoisonedDuration(self, timeSeries, duration):
   ans = duration * len(timeSeries)
   for i in range(1,len(timeSeries)):
      ans -= max(0, duration - (timeSeries[i] - timeSeries[i-1]))
    return ans
```

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486,Next Greater Element I:
Python_solution:
Python Solution with O(n)
   d = {}
   st = []
   ans = \prod
    for x in nums:
      while len(st) and st[-1] < x:
        d[st.pop()] = x
      st.append(x)
   for x in findNums:
     ans.append(d.get(x, -1))
    return ans
Best_solution:
Java 10 lines linear time complexity O(n) with explanation
[5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 6]
487,Diagonal Traverse:
Python_solution:
sorting and normal Python
def findDiagonalOrder(self, matrix):
  entries = [(i+j, (j, i)[(i^j)&1], val)
       for i, row in enumerate(matrix)
       for j, val in enumerate(row)]
  return [e[2] for e in sorted(entries)]
Best_solution:
Concise Iava Solution
bottom border
489,Keyboard Row:
Python_solution:
one-liner Ruby + Python
def find_words(words)
words.select { |w| w = \sim /^{([qwertyuiop]^*|[asdfghjkl]^*|[zxcvbnm]^*)}/i }
end
Best_solution:
Java 1-Line Solution via Regex and Stream
public String[] findWords(String[] words) {
  return Stream.of(words).filter(s ->
s.toLowerCase().matches("[qwertyuiop]*|[asdfghjkl]*|[zxcvbnm]*")).toArray(String[]::new);
}
490,Find Mode in Binary Search Tree:
Python_solution:
Simple Python Explanation
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```
count = collections.Counter()
def dfs(node):
 if node:
   count[node.val] += 1
   dfs(node.left)
   dfs(node.right)
dfs(root)
max_ct = max(count.itervalues())
return [k for k, v in count.iteritems() if v == max_ct]
Best_solution:
Proper O(1) space
public\, class\, Solution\, \{
 public int[] findMode(TreeNode root) {
   inorder(root);
   modes = new int[modeCount];
   modeCount = 0;
   currCount = 0;
   inorder(root);
   return modes;
 }
 private int currVal;
 private int currCount = 0;
 private int maxCount = 0;
 private int modeCount = 0;
 private int∏ modes;
 private void handleValue(int val) {
   if (val != currVal) {
     currVal = val;
     currCount = 0;
   }
   currCount++;
   if (currCount > maxCount) {
     maxCount = currCount;
     modeCount = 1;
   } else if (currCount == maxCount) {
     if (modes != null)
       modes[modeCount] = currVal;
     modeCount++;
   }
 }
 private void inorder(TreeNode root) {
   if (root == null) return;
   inorder(root.left);
   handleValue(root.val);
   inorder(root.right);
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}
491,IPO:
Python_solution:
Python solution
def findMaximizedCapital(self, k, W, Profits, Capital):
  current = \prod
  future = sorted(zip(Capital, Profits))[::-1]
  for _ in range(k):
   while future and future[-1][0] <= W:
      heapq.heappush(current, -future.pop()[1])
   if current:
      W -= heapq.heappop(current)
  return W
Best_solution:
Very Simple (Greedy) Java Solution using two PriorityQueues
492,Next Greater Element II:
Python_solution:
Python 6 lines solution using stack
def nextGreaterElements(self, nums):
   stack, res = [], [-1] * len(nums)
   for i in range(len(nums)) * 2:
      while stack and (nums[stack[-1]] < nums[i]):
        res[stack.pop()] = nums[i]
     stack.append(i)
   return res
Best_solution:
Java 10 lines and C++ 12 lines linear time complexity O(n) with explanation
stack
493,Base 7:
Python_solution:
Python easy understand solution
def convertTo7(self, num):
  if num < 0: return '-' + self.convertTo7(-num)</pre>
  if num < 7: return str(num)
  return self.convertTo7(num // 7) + str(num % 7)
Best_solution:
Simple Java, oneliner Ruby
public String convertTo7(int num) {
  if (num < 0)
   return '-' + convertTo7(-num);
 if (num < 7)
   return num + "";
  return convertTo7(num / 7) + num % 7;
}
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495,Relative Ranks:
Python_solution:
Python solution
def findRelativeRanks(self, nums):
 sort = sorted(nums)[::-1]
 rank = ["Gold Medal", "Silver Medal", "Bronze Medal"] + map(str, range(4, len(nums) + 1))
 return map(dict(zip(sort, rank)).get, nums)
Best_solution:
Easy Java Solution, Sorting.
score
496,Perfect Number:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
def prime_factorization(N):
d = 2
while d * d \le n:
 expo = 0
 while N % d == 0:
  expo += 1
  N = d
 if expo:
  yield (d, expo)
 d += 1
if N > 1:
 yield (N, 1)
for prime, expo in prime_factorization(abs(N)):
ans *= sum(prime ** k for k in xrange(expo + 1))
return ans == 2*N
Best_solution:
Simple Java Solution
public class Solution {
 public boolean checkPerfectNumber(int num) {
   if (num == 1) return false;
   int sum = 0;
   for (int i = 2; i <= Math.sqrt(num); i++) {
     if (num \% i == 0) {
       sum += i;
       if (i != num / i) sum += num / i;
     }
   }
   sum++;
   return sum == num;
}
```

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497, Most Frequent Subtree Sum:
Python_solution:
Python easy understand solution
ctr
Best_solution:
Verbose Java solution, postOrder traverse, HashMap (18ms)
post-order
498,Find Bottom Left Tree Value:
Python_solution:
Right-to-Left BFS (Python + Java)
def findLeftMostNode(self, root):
  queue = [root]
  for node in queue:
   queue += filter(None, (node.right, node.left))
  return node.val
Best_solution:
Right-to-Left BFS (Python + Java)
def findLeftMostNode(self, root):
  queue = [root]
  for node in queue:
   queue += filter(None, (node.right, node.left))
  return node.val
499,Freedom Trail:
Python_solution:
Python Solution (222 ms)
dist(i, j) = min(|i - j|, n - |i - j|)
Best_solution:
Concise Java DP Solution
public class Solution {
  public int findRotateSteps(String ring, String key) {
   int n = ring.length();
   int m = key.length();
   int[][] dp = new int[m + 1][n];
    for (int i = m - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
     for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
        dp[i][j] = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
        for (int k = 0; k < n; k++) {
          if (ring.charAt(k) == key.charAt(i)) {
            int diff = Math.abs(j - k);
            int step = Math.min(diff, n - diff);
            dp[i][j] = Math.min(dp[i][j], step + dp[i + 1][k]);
        }
     }
    return dp[0][0] + m;
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}
500, Find Largest Value in Each Tree Row:
Python_solution:
Python BFS
def findValueMostElement(self, root):
  maxes = []
  row = [root]
  while any(row):
   maxes.append(max(node.val for node in row))
    row = [kid for node in row for kid in (node.left, node.right) if kid]
  return maxes
Best_solution:
9ms JAVA DFS solution
public class Solution {
  public List<Integer> largestValues(TreeNode root) {
    List<Integer> res = new ArrayList<Integer>();
   helper(root, res, 0);
   return res;
  private void helper(TreeNode root, List<Integer> res, int d){
   if(root == null){}
     return;
   //expand list size
   if(d == res.size()){}
     res.add(root.val);
   else{
   //or set value
     res.set(d, Math.max(res.get(d), root.val));
   helper(root.left, res, d+1);
   helper(root.right, res, d+1);
 }
}
501, Longest Palindromic Subsequence:
Python_solution:
Python DP O(n) space O(n^2) time
class Solution(object):
  def longestPalindromeSubseq(self, s):
   :type s: str
   :rtype: int
   n = len(s)
   dp = [[1] * 2 for _ in range(n)]
   for j in xrange(1, len(s)):
     for i in reversed(xrange(0, j)):
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if s[i] == s[j]:
          dp[i][j\%2] = 2 + dp[i + 1][(j - 1)\%2] if i + 1 \le j - 1 else 2
          dp[i][j\%2] = max(dp[i+1][j\%2], dp[i][(j-1)\%2])
    return dp[0][(n-1)%2]
Best_solution:
Straight forward Java DP solution
dp[i][j]
502, Super Washing Machines:
Python_solution:
Python solution
class Solution(object):
  def findMinMoves(self, machines):
   :type machines: List[int]
   :rtype: int
   if not machines:
     return 0
   n = len(machines)
   s = sum(machines)
   if s % n:
     return -1
   avg = s / n
   ans = 0
   left sum = 0
   for x in machines:
     delta = x - avg
     ans = max(ans, -left_sum, delta + max(0, left_sum))
     left_sum += delta
    return ans
Best_solution:
Super Short & Easy Java O(n) Solution
public class Solution {
  public int findMinMoves(int[] machines) {
   int total = 0;
    for(int i: machines) total+=i;
   if(total%machines.length!=0) return -1;
   int avg = total/machines.length, cnt = 0, max = 0;
   for(int load: machines){
     cnt += load-avg; //load-avg is "gain/lose"
     max = Math.max(Math.max(max, Math.abs(cnt)), load-avg);
   }
   return max;
}
503,Coin Change 2:
Python_solution:
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python O(n) space dp solution
  def change(self, amount, coins):
   :type amount: int
   :type coins: List[int]
   :rtype: int
   dp = [0] * (amount + 1)
   dp[0] = 1
   for i in coins:
     for j in range(1, amount + 1):
       if j \ge i:
         dp[j] += dp[j - i]
    return dp[amount]
Best_solution:
Knapsack problem - Java solution with thinking process O(nm) Time and O(m) Space
dp[i][j]
504,Detect Capital:
Python_solution:
In Python, these are called...
def detectCapitalUse(self, word):
  return word.isupper() or word.islower() or word.istitle()
Best_solution:
3 Lines
public class Solution {
  public boolean detectCapitalUse(String word) {
   int cnt = 0;
   for(char c: word.toCharArray()) if('Z' - c >= 0) cnt++;
    return \ ((cnt==0 \ || \ cnt==word.length()) \ || \ (cnt==1 \ \&\& \ 'Z' - word.charAt(0)>=0));
}
505,Longest Uncommon Subsequence I:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple Explanation
def findLUSlength(self, A, B):
  if A == B:
    return -1
  return max(len(A), len(B))
Best_solution:
I feel this problem is just perfect for April Fools' day
Both strings' lengths will not exceed 100.
506,Longest Uncommon Subsequence II:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple Explanation
def subseq(w1, w2):
  #True iff word1 is a subsequence of word2.
 i = 0
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for c in w2:
   if i < len(w1) and w1[i] == c:
     i += 1
 return i == len(w1)
A.sort(key = len, reverse = True)
for i, word1 in enumerate(A):
 if all(not subseq(word1, word2)
     for j, word2 in enumerate(A) if i != j):
   return len(word1)
return -1
Best_solution:
Python, Simple Explanation
def subseq(w1, w2):
 #True iff word1 is a subsequence of word2.
 i = 0
 for c in w2:
   if i < len(w1) and w1[i] == c:
     i += 1
 return i == len(w1)
A.sort(key = len, reverse = True)
for i, word1 in enumerate(A):
 if all(not subseq(word1, word2)
     for j, word2 in enumerate(A) if i != j):
   return len(word1)
return -1
507, Continuous Subarray Sum:
Python_solution:
Python with explanation. 62ms Time O(min(n, k)) mostly
if k == 0
Best_solution:
Java O(n) time O(k) space
public boolean checkSubarraySum(int[] nums, int k) {
 Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>(){{put(0,-1);}};;
 int runningSum = 0;
 for (int i=0;i<nums.length;i++) {
   runningSum += nums[i];
   if (k!= 0) runningSum %= k;
   Integer prev = map.get(runningSum);
   if (prev!= null) {
     if (i - prev > 1) return true;
   else map.put(runningSum, i);
 }
 return false;
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 $508, Longest\ Word\ in\ Dictionary\ through\ Deleting:$

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Python_solution:
Short Python solutions
def findLongestWord(self, s, d):
  def isSubsequence(x):
   it = iter(s)
    return all(c in it for c in x)
  return max(sorted(filter(isSubsequence, d)) + [''], key=len)
Best_solution:
Short Java Solutions - Sorting Dictionary and Without Sorting
public String findLongestWord(String s, List<String> d) {
  Collections.sort(d, (a,b) -> a.length() != b.length() ? -Integer.compare(a.length(), b.length()) : a.compareTo(b));
  for (String dictWord: d) {
   int i = 0;
   for (char c : s.toCharArray())
      if (i < dictWord.length() && c == dictWord.charAt(i)) i++;
   if (i == dictWord.length()) return dictWord;
 }
 return "";
}
509, Contiguous Array:
Python_solution:
Python O(n) Solution with Visual Explanation
count
Best_solution:
Easy Java O(n) Solution, PreSum + HashMap
510, Beautiful Arrangement:
Python_solution:
Python recursion + DP 66ms
cache = {}
class Solution(object):
  def countArrangement(self, N):
   def helper(i, X):
     if i == 1:
        return 1
      key = (i, X)
     if key in cache:
        return cache[key]
      total = 0
      for j in xrange(len(X)):
        if X[j] \% i == 0 or i \% X[j] == 0:
          total += helper(i - 1, X[:j] + X[j + 1:])
      cache[key] = total
      return total
    return helper(N, tuple(range(1, N + 1)))
Best_solution:
Java Solution, Backtracking
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public class Solution {

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int count = 0;
  public int countArrangement(int N) {
    if (N == 0) return 0;
    helper(N, 1, new int[N + 1]);
    return count;
  }
  private void helper(int N, int pos, int[] used) {
    if (pos > N) {
      count++;
      return;
    }
    for (int i = 1; i \le N; i++) {
      if (used[i] == 0 && (i \% pos == 0 || pos \% i == 0)) {
        used[i] = 1;
        helper(N, pos + 1, used);
        used[i] = 0;
      }
    }
 }
}
512, Minesweeper:
Python_solution:
Simple Python (DFS)
def updateBoard(self, A, click):
  click = tuple(click)
  R, C = len(A), len(A[0])
  def neighbors(r, c):
    for dr in xrange(-1, 2):
      for dc in xrange(-1, 2):
         if (dr or dc) and 0 \le r + dr \le R and 0 \le c + dc \le C:
          yield r + dr, c + dc
  stack = [click]
  seen = {click}
  while stack:
    r, c = stack.pop()
    if A[r][c] == 'M':
      A[r][c] = 'X'
    else:
      mines_adj = sum(A[nr][nc] in 'MX' for nr, nc in neighbors(r, c))
      if mines_adj:
        A[r][c] = str(mines_adj)
      else:
        A[r][c] = 'B'
        for nei in neighbors(r, c):
           if A[\mbox{nei}[0]][\mbox{nei}[1]] in 'ME' and nei not in seen:
             stack.append(nei)
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seen.add(nei)
  return A
Best_solution:
Java Solution, DFS + BFS
Search
513, Minimum Absolute Difference in BST:
Python_solution:
Python 7 lines AC solution
def getMinimumDifference(self, root):
    def dfs(node, l=[]):
      if node.left: dfs(node.left, l)
     l.append(node.val)
     if node.right: dfs(node.right, l)
      return l
   l = dfs(root)
    return min([abs(a-b) for a,b in zip(l, l[1:])])
Best_solution:
Two Solutions, in-order traversal and a more general way using TreeSet
in0rder
515,K-diff Pairs in an Array:
Python_solution:
1-liner in Python, O(n) time
  def findPairs(self, nums, k):
   return len(set(nums)&{n+k for n in nums}) if k>0 else sum(v>1 for v in collections.Counter(nums).values())
if k==0 else 0
Best_solution:
Java O(n) solution - one Hashmap, easy to understand
public class Solution {
  public int findPairs(int[] nums, int k) {
   if (nums == null || nums.length == 0 || k < 0) return 0;
   Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
   int count = 0;
   for (int i: nums) {
     map.put(i, map.getOrDefault(i, 0) + 1);
   }
   for (Map.Entry<Integer, Integer> entry : map.entrySet()) {
     if (k == 0) {
        //count how many elements in the array that appear more than twice.
        if (entry.getValue() >= 2) {
          count++;
        }
     } else {
        if (map.containsKey(entry.getKey() + k)) {
          count++;
       }
      }
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}
          return count;
    }
}
517,Design TinyURL:
Best_solution:
Suggestion on extra questions
last_updated_timestamp
518,Encode and Decode TinyURL:
Python_solution:
Python Solution
class Codec:
     def __init__(self):
          self.d = {}
          self.r = \{\}
     def encode(self, longUrl):
          self.d[longUrl] = longUrl._hash_()
          self.r[longUrl._hash_()] = longUrl
           return longUrl._hash_()
     def decode(self, shortUrl):
           return self.r[shortUrl]
Best_solution:
Two solutions and thoughts
http://tinyurl.com/0
520,Complex Number Multiplication:
Best_solution:
Java 3-liner
public String complexNumberMultiply(String a, String b) {
     int[] coefs1 = Stream.of(a.split("\+|i")).mapToInt(Integer::parseInt).toArray(),
              coefs 2 = Stream.of(b.split("\+|i")).mapToInt(Integer::parseInt).toArray();
     return \ (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0] - coefs1[1]*coefs2[1]) + "+" + (coefs1[0]*coefs2[1] + coefs1[1]*coefs2[0]) + "i"; \\ (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0] + coefs1[0]*coefs2[0]) + "i"; \\ (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0] + coefs1[0]*coefs2[0]) + "i"; \\ (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0] + coefs1[0]*coefs2[0]) + (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0]) + (coefs1[0]*coefs2[0
}
521,Convert BST to Greater Tree:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
def convertBST(self, root):
     def visit1(root):
           if root:
                visit1(root.left)
                vals.append(root.val)
                visit1(root.right)
     vals = []
     visit1(root)
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self.s = 0
  def visit2(root):
   if root:
     visit2(root.right)
     self.s += vals.pop()
     root.val = self.s
     visit2(root.left)
 visit2(root)
  return root
Best_solution:
Java Recursive O(n) time
public\, class\, Solution\, \{
 int sum = 0;
 public TreeNode convertBST(TreeNode root) {
    convert(root);
   return root;
  }
  public void convert(TreeNode cur) {
   if (cur == null) return;
    convert(cur.right);
    cur.val += sum;
   sum = cur.val;
    convert(cur.left);
}
522, Minimum Time Difference:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
def findMinDifference(self, A):
  def convert(time):
    return int(time[:2]) * 60 + int(time[3:])
  minutes = map(convert, A)
  minutes.sort()
  return min( (y - x) % (24 * 60)
        for x, y in zip(minutes, minutes[1:] + minutes[:1]))
Best_solution:
Verbose Java Solution, Bucket
public class Solution {
  public int findMinDifference(List<String> timePoints) {
   boolean[] mark = new boolean[24 * 60];
   for (String time: timePoints) {
     String[] t = time.split(":");
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int h = Integer.parseInt(t[0]);
      int m = Integer.parseInt(t[1]);
      if (mark[h*60+m]) return 0;
      mark[h*60 + m] = true;
    }
    int prev = 0, min = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
    int first = Integer.MAX_VALUE, last = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
    for (int i = 0; i < 24 * 60; i++) {
      if (mark[i]) {
        if (first != Integer.MAX_VALUE) {
          min = Math.min(min, i - prev);
        }
        first = Math.min(first, i);
        last = Math.max(last, i);
        prev = i;
      }
    }
    min = Math.min(min, (24 * 60 - last + first));
    return min;
 }
}
523, Single Element in a Sorted Array:
Python_solution:
Python in 3 lines.
class Solution(object):
  def singleNonDuplicate(self, nums):
    odd_set =set(nums[0::2])
    even_set = set(nums[1::2])
    return next(iter(odd_set-even_set))
Best_solution:
Java Binary Search O(log(n)) Shorter Than Others
public class Solution {
  public int singleNonDuplicate(int[] nums) {
    // binary search
    int n=nums.length, lo=0, hi=n/2;
    while (lo < hi) {
      int m = (lo + hi) / 2;
      if (nums[2*m]!=nums[2*m+1]) hi = m;
      else lo = m+1;
    return nums[2*lo];
}
```

524,Reverse String II: **Python_solution**:

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Python, Straightforward with Explanation
def reverseStr(self, s, k):
  s = list(s)
  for i in xrange(0, len(s), 2*k):
    s[i:i+k] = reversed(s[i:i+k])
  return "".join(s)
Best solution:
Java Concise Solution
public class Solution {
  public String reverseStr(String s, int k) {
    char[] arr = s.toCharArray();
    int n = arr.length;
    int i = 0;
    while(i < n) {
      int j = Math.min(i + k - 1, n - 1);
      swap(arr, i, j);
      i += 2 * k;
    }
    return String.valueOf(arr);
  private void swap(char[] arr, int l, int r) {
    while (l < r) {
      char temp = arr[l];
      arr[l++] = arr[r];
      arr[r--] = temp;
    }
 }
}
525,01 Matrix:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
def updateMatrix(self, A):
  R, C = len(A), len(A[0])
  def neighbors(r, c):
    for cr, cc in ((r-1,c),(r+1,c),(r,c-1),(r,c+1)):
      if 0 \le cr \le R and 0 \le cc \le C:
        yield cr, cc
  q = collections.deque([((r, c), 0)
      for r in xrange(R)
      for c in xrange(C)
      if A[r][c] == 0
  seen = \{x \text{ for } x, \underline{\quad} \text{ in } q\}
  ans = [[0]*C \text{ for } \underline{\text{ in }} A]
  while q:
    (r, c), depth = q.popleft()
    ans[r][c] = depth
    for nei in neighbors(r, c):
      if nei not in seen:
         seen.add(nei)
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q.append((nei, depth + 1))
  return ans
Best_solution:
Java Solution, BFS
BFS
526,Diameter of Binary Tree:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
def diameterOfBinaryTree(self, root):
  self.best = 1
  def depth(root):
   if not root: return 0
   ansL = depth(root.left)
   ansR = depth(root.right)
   self.best = max(self.best, ansL + ansR + 1)
    return 1 + max(ansL, ansR)
  depth(root)
  return self.best - 1
Best_solution:
Java Solution, MaxDepth
every
529,Remove Boxes:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward [but slow] with Explanation
def removeBoxes(self, A):
  def outside_ranges(ranges, i, j):
    prev = i
   for r1, r2 in ranges:
      yield prev, r1 - 1
      prev = r2 + 1
   yield prev, j
  memo = {}
  def dp(i, j):
   if i \ge j: return +(i==j)
   if (i,j) not in memo:
      good = []
      for k, v in itertools.groupby(range(i, j+1),
          key = lambda x: A[x] == A[i]):
          w = list(v)
          good.append((w[0], w[-1]))
      for size in xrange(1, len(good) + 1):
        for subset in itertools.combinations(good, size):
          cand = sum(g[-1] - g[0] + 1 \text{ for } g \text{ in subset }) ** 2
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cand += sum( dp(L, R) for L, R in outside_ranges(subset, i, j))
          ans = max(ans, cand)
      memo[i, j] = ans
    return memo[i, j]
  return dp(0, len(A)-1)
Best solution:
Java top-down and bottom-up DP solutions
boxes
530,Friend Circles:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple Explanation
def findCircleNum(self, A):
  N = len(A)
 seen = set()
  def dfs(node):
   for nei, adj in enumerate(A[node]):
      if adj and nei not in seen:
        seen.add(nei)
        dfs(nei)
  ans = 0
  for i in xrange(N):
   if i not in seen:
      dfs(i)
      ans += 1
  return ans
Best_solution:
Neat DFS java solution
public class Solution {
  public void dfs(int[][] M, int[] visited, int i) {
   for (int j = 0; j < M.length; j++) {
      if(M[i][j] == 1 \&\& visited[j] == 0) {
        visited[j] = 1;
        dfs(M, visited, j);
      }
   }
  public int findCircleNum(int[][] M) {
   int[] visited = new int[M.length];
   int count = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < M.length; i++) {
      if (visited[i] == 0) {
        dfs(M, visited, i);
        count++;
      }
   return count;
}
```

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533,Student Attendance Record I:
Python_solution:
Tiny Ruby, Short Python/Java/C++
def check_record(s)
!s[/A.*A|LLL/]
end
Best_solution:
Java 1-liner
public boolean checkRecord(String s) {
  return !s.matches(".*LLL.*|.*A.*A.*");
}
534,Student Attendance Record II:
Python_solution:
Python DP with explanation
dp[i]
Best_solution:
Improving the runtime from O(n) to O(\log n)
f[i][j][k]
535,0ptimal Division:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation (Insightful Approach)
def optimalDivision(self, A):
  A = map(str, A)
  if len(A) <= 2: return '/'.join(A)</pre>
  return '{}/({})'.format(A[0], '/'.join(A[1:]))
Best_solution:
Easy to understand simple O(n) solution with explanation
class Solution {
public:
  string optimalDivision(vector<int>& nums) {
    string ans;
    if(!nums.size()) return ans;
    ans = to_string(nums[0]);
    if(nums.size()==1) return ans;
    if(nums.size()==2) return ans + "/" + to_string(nums[1]);
    ans += "/(" + to_string(nums[1]);
    for(int i = 2; i < nums.size();++i)
      ans += "/" + to_string(nums[i]);
    ans += ")";
    return ans;
};
536,Brick Wall:
Python_solution:
Python, with simple explanation
class Solution(object):
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def leastBricks(self, wall):
   :type wall: List[List[int]]
   :rtype: int
   if len(wall)==0: return -1
   Counter,cumSum=collections.defaultdict(int),[0]*len(wall)
    for i in range(0,len(wall)):
      for y in wall[i]:
        cumSum[i]+=y
        Counter[cumSum[i]]+=1
   Counter[cumSum[0]]=0
    return len(wall)-max(Counter.values())
Best_solution:
I DON'T THINK THERE IS A BETTER PERSON THAN ME TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION
public class Solution {
  public int leastBricks(List<List<Integer>> wall) {
    if(wall.size() == 0) return 0;
   int count = 0;
    Map<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
    for(List<Integer> list : wall){
      int length = 0;
      for(int i = 0; i < list.size() - 1; i++){
        length += list.get(i);
        map.put(length, map.getOrDefault(length, 0) + 1);
        count = Math.max(count, map.get(length));
     }
   }
   return wall.size() - count;
538,Next Greater Element III:
Python_solution:
Clear Python Solution
class Solution(object):
  def nextGreaterElement(self, n):
   :type n: int
   :rtype: int
   num = str(n)
   for i in range(len(num)-2, -1, -1):
     if num[i] < num[i+1]:
        t = list(num[i:])
        for j in range(len(t)-1, 0, -1):
          if t[j]>t[0]:
            first = t.pop(j)
            rest = sorted(t)
            res = int(num[:i] + first + ".join(rest))
            return res if res <= (2**31-1) else -1
        #print t
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#raise ValueError('Error: cannot find bigger value!')
    return -1
Best solution:
Simple Java solution (4ms) with explanation.
public class Solution {
  public int nextGreaterElement(int n) {
    char[] number = (n + "").toCharArray();
   int i, j;
   // I) Start from the right most digit and
   // find the first digit that is
   // smaller than the digit next to it.
   for (i = number.length-1; i > 0; i--)
     if (number[i-1] < number[i])</pre>
       break;
   // If no such digit is found, its the edge case 1.
   if(i == 0)
     return -1;
    // II) Find the smallest digit on right side of (i-1)'th
    // digit that is greater than number[i-1]
    int x = number[i-1], smallest = i;
    for (j = i+1; j < number.length; j++)
     if (number[j] > x && number[j] <= number[smallest])</pre>
        smallest = j;
   // III) Swap the above found smallest digit with
    // number[i-1]
    char temp = number[i-1];
    number[i-1] = number[smallest];
    number[smallest] = temp;
   // IV) Sort the digits after (i-1) in ascending order
   Arrays.sort(number, i, number.length);
   long val = Long.parseLong(new String(number));
   return (val <= Integer.MAX_VALUE) ? (int) val : -1;
}
539, Reverse Words in a String III:
Python_solution:
1 line Ruby / Python
def reverse_words(s)
s.split.map(&:reverse).join(" ")
end
Best_solution:
[C++] [Java] Clean Code
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class Solution {

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public:
  string reverseWords(string s) {
    for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) {
      if (s[i] != ' ') \{ // when i is a non-space
        int j = i;
        for (; j < s.length() && s[j] != ' '; j++) {} // move j to the next space
        reverse(s.begin() + i, s.begin() + j);
        i = j - 1;
      }
    }
    return s;
};
540,Subarray Sum Equals K:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
A[0] + A[1] + ... + A[t-1] = W
Best_solution:
Java Solution, PreSum + HashMap
SUM[i, j]
541,Array Partition I:
Python_solution:
Python 1 line (sorting is accepted)
class Solution(object):
  def arrayPairSum(self, nums):
    :type nums: List[int]
    :rtype: int
    return sum(sorted(nums)[::2])
Best_solution:
Java Solution, Sorting. And rough proof of algorithm.
public class Solution {
  public int arrayPairSum(int[] nums) {
    Arrays.sort(nums);
    int result = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i += 2) {
      result += nums[i];
   }
    return result;
 }
}
543,Binary Tree Tilt:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
for each node: ans += abs(node.left.subtreesum - node.right.subtreesum)
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Best_solution:
Java Solution, post-order traversal
public class Solution {
  int result = 0;
  public int findTilt(TreeNode root) {
   postOrder(root);
   return result;
  }
  private int postOrder(TreeNode root) {
    if (root == null) return 0;
   int left = postOrder(root.left);
   int right = postOrder(root.right);
   result += Math.abs(left - right);
   return left + right + root.val;
 }
}
544,Find the Closest Palindrome:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
Best_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
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545,Array Nesting:
Python_solution:
Short Python
Best_solution:
[C++] [Java] Clean Code - O(N)
circle
546,Reshape the Matrix:
Python_solution:
Python Solutions
NumPy
Best_solution:
Java Concise O(nm) time
public int[][] matrixReshape(int[][] nums, int r, int c) {
  int n = nums.length, m = nums[0].length;
  if (r*c!= n*m) return nums;
  int[][] res = new int[r][c];
  for (int i=0; i< r*c; i++)
    res[i/c][i\%c] = nums[i/m][i\%m];
  return res;
}
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547, Permutation in String:
Python_solution:
Python, Simple with Explanation
window
Best_solution:
Java Solution, Sliding Window
p
552,Subtree of Another Tree:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation (O(ST) and O(S+T) approaches)
Best_solution:
Java Solution, tree traversal
555,Distribute Candies:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
len(set(candies))
Best_solution:
Java Solution, 3 lines, HashSet
public class Solution {
  public int distributeCandies(int[] candies) {
    Set<Integer> kinds = new HashSet<>();
   for (int candy: candies) kinds.add(candy);
   return kinds.size() >= candies.length / 2 ? candies.length / 2 : kinds.size();
}
556,Out of Boundary Paths:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
cur[r][c]
Best_solution:
C++ 6 lines DP O(N * m * n), 6 ms
int findPaths(int m, int n, int N, int i, int j) {
 uint dp[51][50][50] = {};
 for (auto Ni = 1; Ni \le N; ++Ni)
 for (auto mi = 0; mi < m; ++mi)
   for (auto ni = 0; ni < n; ++ni)
   dp[Ni][mi][ni] = ((mi == 0?1:dp[Ni-1][mi-1][ni]) + (mi == m-1?1:dp[Ni-1][mi+1][ni])
      + \left(ni == 0?1: dp[Ni-1][mi][ni-1]\right) + \left(ni == n-1?1: dp[Ni-1][mi][ni+1]\right) \% \ 1000000007;
return dp[N][i][j];
}
561, Shortest Unsorted Continuous Subarray:
Best_solution:
Java O(n) Time O(1) Space
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563, Delete Operation for Two Strings:
Best_solution:
Java DP Solution (Longest Common Subsequence)
public int minDistance(String word1, String word2) {
  int dp[][] = new int[word1.length()+1][word2.length()+1];
  for(int i = 0; i \le word1.length(); i++) {
    for(int j = 0; j \le word2.length(); j++) {
      if(i == 0 || j == 0) dp[i][j] = 0;
      else dp[i][j] = (word1.charAt(i-1) == word2.charAt(j-1))? dp[i-1][j-1] + 1
          : Math.max(dp[i-1][j], dp[i][j-1]);
   }
 int val = dp[word1.length()][word2.length()];
  return word1.length() - val + word2.length() - val;
}
567,Erect the Fence:
Python_solution:
Python, AM Chain with Explanation
drive
Best solution:
Java Solution, Convex Hull Algorithm - Gift wrapping aka Jarvis march
Gift wrapping aka Jarvis march
569, Tag Validator:
Python_solution:
Short Python, accepted but not sure if correct
Best_solution:
Java Solution: Use startsWith and indexOf
public class Solution {
  public boolean isValid(String code) {
    Stack<String> stack = new Stack<>();
    for(int i = 0; i < code.length();){</pre>
      if(i>0 && stack.isEmpty()) return false;
      if(code.startsWith("<![CDATA[",i)){
        int j = i+9;
        i = code.indexOf("]]>", j);
        if(i < 0) return false;
        i += 3;
      }else if(code.startsWith("</", i)){</pre>
        int j = i + 2;
        i = code.indexOf('>', j);
        if(i < 0 || i == j || i - j > 9) return false;
        for(int k = j; k < i; k++){
          if(!Character.isUpperCase(code.charAt(k))) return false;
        String s = code.substring(j, i++);
        if(stack.isEmpty() || !stack.pop().equals(s)) return false;
      }else if(code.startsWith("<", i)){</pre>
        int j = i + 1;
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i = code.indexOf('>', j);
        if(i < 0 || i == j || i - j > 9) return false;
        for(int k = j; k < i; k++){
          if(!Character.isUpperCase(code.charAt(k))) return false;
        String s = code.substring(j, i++);
        stack.push(s);
      }else{
        i++;
    return stack.isEmpty();
}
570, Fraction Addition and Subtraction:
Python_solution:
Small simple C++/Java/Python
A/B
Best_solution:
Concise Java Solution
public String fractionAddition(String expression) {
  String[] fracs = expression.split("(?=[-,+])"); // splits input string into individual fractions
  String res = "0/1";
  for (String frac : fracs) res = add(res, frac); // add all fractions together
  return res;
}
public String add(String frac1, String frac2) {
  int[] f1 = Stream.of(frac1.split("/")).mapToInt(Integer::parseInt).toArray(),
     f2 = Stream.of(frac2.split("/")).mapToInt(Integer::parseInt).toArray();
  int numer = f1[0]*f2[1] + f1[1]*f2[0], denom = f1[1]*f2[1];
  String sign = "";
 if (numer < 0) \{ sign = "-"; numer *= -1; \}
  return sign + numer/gcd(numer, denom) + "/" + denom/gcd(numer, denom); // construct reduced fraction
}
// Computes gcd using Euclidean algorithm
public int gcd(int x, int y) { return x == 0 || y == 0 ? x + y : gcd(y, x % y); }
571, Valid Square:
Python_solution:
Share my simple Python solution
class Solution(object):
  def validSquare(self, p1, p2, p3, p4):
    points = [p1, p2, p3, p4]
   dists = collections.Counter()
   for i in range(len(points)):
      for j in range(i+1, len(points)):
        dists[self.getDistance(points[i], points[j])] += 1
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return len(dists.values())==2 and 4 in dists.values() and 2 in dists.values()
 def getDistance(self, p1, p2):
   return (p1[0] - p2[0])**2 + (p1[1] - p2[1])**2
Best_solution:
C++ 3 lines (unordered set)
int d(vector<int>& p1, vector<int>& p2) {
 return \ (p1[0] - p2[0]) * (p1[0] - p2[0]) + (p1[1] - p2[1]) * (p1[1] - p2[1]);
bool validSquare(vector<int>& p1, vector<int>& p2, vector<int>& p3, vector<int>& p4) {
 unordered_set<int> s({ d(p1, p2), d(p1, p3), d(p1, p4), d(p2, p3), d(p2, p4), d(p3, p4) });
 return !s.count(0) && s.size() == 2;
}
572,Longest Harmonious Subsequence:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
count[x]
Best_solution:
Simple Java HashMap Solution
public int findLHS(int[] nums) {
 Map<Long, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
 for (long num: nums) {
   map.put(num, map.getOrDefault(num, 0) + 1);
 }
 int result = 0;
 for (long key: map.keySet()) {
   if (map.containsKey(key + 1)) {
      result = Math.max(result, map.get(key + 1) + map.get(key));
   }
 }
 return result;
573,Big Countries:
Best_solution:
TLE- Union distinct.
select name, population, area
from World
where area > 3000000
Union distinct
select name, population, area
from World
where population > 25000000;
574,Classes More Than 5 Students:
Best_solution:
"More than" or "no less than"??
None
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576,Range Addition II:
Python_solution:
Python solution, beat 100%
 def maxCount(self, m, n, ops):
   :type m: int
   :type n: int
   :type ops: List[List[int]]
   :rtype: int
   if not ops:
     return m*n
    return min(op[0] for op in ops)*min(op[1] for op in ops)
Best_solution:
Java Solution, find Min
public class Solution {
  public int maxCount(int m, int n, int[][] ops) {
    if (ops == null || ops.length == 0) {
     return m * n;
   }
   int row = Integer.MAX_VALUE, col = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
   for(int[] op : ops) {
     row = Math.min(row, op[0]);
     col = Math.min(col, op[1]);
   }
   return row * col;
}
577, Minimum Index Sum of Two Lists:
Best_solution:
Java O(n+m) Time O(n) Space
public String[] findRestaurant(String[] list1, String[] list2) {
  Map<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
  List<String> res = new LinkedList<>();
  int minSum = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
  for (int i=0;i<list1.length;i++) map.put(list1[i], i);</pre>
  for (int i=0;i<list2.length;i++) {
   Integer j = map.get(list2[i]);
   if (j != null && i + j <= minSum) {
     if (i + j < minSum) { res = new LinkedList<>(); minSum = i+j; }
      res.add(list2[i]);
   }
 }
  return res.toArray(new String[res.size()]);
}
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578, Non-negative Integers without Consecutive Ones:

 $Python_solution:$

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python dp solution easily understood
class Solution(object):
  def findIntegers(self, num):
    :type num: int
    :rtype: int
    # A[0] is the lowest bit, A[-1] is the highest bit
    A=bin(num)[2:][::-1]
    # dp[i][0] is the number of integers with (i+1)bits, highest bit is 0 and without consecutive ones
    # dp[i][1] is the number of integers with (i+1)bits, highest bit is 1 and without consecutive ones
    dp=[[1,1] for _in range(len(A))]
    # res is the number of integers less than A[:i] without consecutive ones.
    res=1 if A[0]=='0' else 2
    for i in range(1, len(A)):
      dp[i][0]=dp[i-1][0]+dp[i-1][1]
      dp[i][1]=dp[i-1][0]
      # try to get the number of integers less than A[:i+1]
      if A[i-1:i+1] = = '01':
        # if A[i-1:i+1]=='01', we can append '1' after integers less than A[:i] without consecutive ones,
        # also any integer with (i+1) bits, highest bit is '0', without consecutive ones
        # is less than A[:i+1]
        res+=dp[i][0]
      elif A[i-1:i+1]=='11':
        # if A[i-1:i+1]=='11', then any integer with i+1 bits and without consecutive ones
        # is less than A[:i+1]
        res=dp[i][0]+dp[i][1]
      # if A[i]=='0', the number of integers with i+1 bits, less than A[:i+1] and without
      # consecutive ones is the same as A[:i]
    return res
Best_solution:
Java Solution, DP
public class Solution {
  public int findIntegers(int num) {
    StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder(Integer.toBinaryString(num)).reverse();
    int n = sb.length();
    int a[] = new int[n];
    int b[] = new int[n];
    a[0] = b[0] = 1;
    for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
      a[i] = a[i - 1] + b[i - 1];
      b[i] = a[i - 1];
    }
    int result = a[n-1] + b[n-1];
    for (int i = n - 2; i \ge 0; i--) {
      if (sb.charAt(i) == '1' && sb.charAt(i + 1) == '1') break;
      if (sb.charAt(i) == '0' && sb.charAt(i + 1) == '0') result -= b[i];
    }
    return result;
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}
579, Human Traffic of Stadium:
Best_solution:
What's wrong with this answer?
SELECT DISTINCT s1.id, s1.date, s1.people
FROM stadium s1, stadium s2, stadium s3
WHERE s1.people >= 100
AND s2.people >= 100
AND s3.people \geq 100
AND ((DATEDIFF(s2.date, s1.date) = 1 AND DATEDIFF(s3.date, s2.date) = 1)
OR (DATEDIFF(s2.date, s1.date) = -1 AND DATEDIFF(s3.date, s1.date) = 1)
OR (DATEDIFF(s2.date, s1.date) = -1 AND DATEDIFF(s3.date, s2.date) = -1)
ORDER BY s1.date;
583,Can Place Flowers:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
def canPlaceFlowers(self, A, N):
  for i, x in enumerate(A):
   if (not x and (i == 0 or A[i-1] == 0)
       and (i == len(A)-1 \text{ or } A[i+1] == 0)):
      N -= 1
      A[i] = 1
  return N <= 0
Best_solution:
Java - Greedy solution - O(flowerbed) - beats 100%
public class Solution {
  public boolean canPlaceFlowers(int[] flowerbed, int n) {
    int count = 0;
    for(int i = 0; i < flowerbed.length && count < n; i++) {
      if(flowerbed[i] == 0) {
            //get next and prev flower bed slot values. If i lies at the ends the next and prev are considered as 0.
       int next = (i == flowerbed.length - 1)? 0 : flowerbed[i + 1];
       int prev = (i == 0)? 0: flowerbed[i - 1];
       if(next == 0 \&\& prev == 0) {
         flowerbed[i] = 1;
         count++;
       }
     }
    return count == n;
}
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Python_solution:
Python recursion
  def tree2str(self, t):
    :type t: TreeNode
    :rtype: str
    def preorder(root):
      if root is None:
        return ""
      s=str(root.val)
      l=preorder(root.left)
      r=preorder(root.right)
      if r=="" and l=="":
        return s
      elif l=="":
        s+="()"+"("+r+")"
      elif r=="":
        s+="("+l+")"
      else:
        s+="("+l+")"+"("+r+")"
      return s
    return preorder(t)
Best_solution:
Java Solution, Tree Traversal
public class Solution {
  public String tree2str(TreeNode t) {
    if (t == null) return "";
    String result = t.val + "";
    String left = tree2str(t.left);
    String right = tree2str(t.right);
    if (left == "" && right == "") return result;
    if (left == "") return result + "()" + "(" + right + ")";
    if (right == "") return result + "(" + left + ")";
    return\ result\ +\ "("\ +\ left\ +\ ")"\ +\ "("\ +\ right\ +\ ")";
 }
}
587, Find Duplicate File in System:
Best_solution:
C++ clean solution, answers to follow up
vector<vector<string>> findDuplicate(vector<string>& paths) {
  unordered_map<string, vector<string>> files;
  vector<vector<string>> result;
  for (auto path: paths) {
           stringstream ss(path);
           string root;
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string s;
            getline(ss, root, ' ');
            while (getline(ss, s, ' ')) \{
                      string fileName = root + '/' + s.substr(0, s.find('('));
                      string\ fileContent = s.substr(s.find('(') + 1, s.find(')') - s.find('(') - 1);
                      files[fileContent].push_back(fileName);
           }
 }
  for (auto file: files) {
            if (file.second.size() > 1)
                      result.push_back(file.second);
  }
  return result;
}
589, Valid Triangle Number:
Python_solution:
Can this problem possibly be solved by python?
def triangleNumber(self,nums):
 :type nums: List[int]
 :rtype: int
  final = 0
  nums = sorted(nums)
  for i in range(2,len(nums))[::-1]:
   l = 0
    r = i-1
    while (r>l):
      if nums[l]+nums[r] > nums[i]:
        final += r-l
        r-=1
      else:
        l+=1
  return final
Best_solution:
Java O(n^2) Time O(1) Space
public static int triangleNumber(int[] A) {
  Arrays.sort(A);
  int count = 0, n = A.length;
  for (int i=n-1; i>=2; i--) {
    int l = 0, r = i-1;
    while (l < r) {
      if\left( A[l]+A[r]>A[i]\right) \left\{
        count += r-l;
        r--;
      }
      else l++;
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return count;
}
595,Merge Two Binary Trees:
Python_solution:
Short Recursive Solution w/ Python & C++
class Solution(object):
  def mergeTrees(self, t1, t2):
    if t1 and t2:
      root = TreeNode(t1.val + t2.val)
      root.left = self.mergeTrees(t1.left, t2.left)
      root.right = self.mergeTrees(t1.right, t2.right)
     return root
    else:
      return t1 or t2
Best_solution:
Java Solution, 6 lines, Tree Traversal
public class Solution {
  public TreeNode mergeTrees(TreeNode t1, TreeNode t2) {
    if (t1 == null \&\& t2 == null) return null;
   int val = (t1 == null ? 0 : t1.val) + (t2 == null ? 0 : t2.val);
   TreeNode newNode = new TreeNode(val);
   newNode.left = mergeTrees(t1 == null ? null : t1.left, t2 == null ? null : t2.left);
    newNode.right = mergeTrees(t1 == null ? null : t1.right, t2 == null ? null : t2.right);
    return newNode;
}
598, Not Boring Movies:
Best_solution:
The problem description could be worded better
select *
from cinema
where mod(id, 2) = 1 and description != 'boring'
order by rating DESC
;
599,Task Scheduler:
Python_solution:
6 lines O(N) solutions w/C++ & Python
class Solution {
  int leastInterval(vector<char>& tasks, int n) {
    vector<int> counter(256);
   for (chart: tasks)
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++counter[t];
   int m = *max_element(counter.begin(), counter.end());
   int l = count(counter.begin(), counter.end(), m);
   return max(int(tasks.size()), (m-1)*(n+1)+l);
 }
};
// 64 / 64 test cases passed.
// Status: Accepted
// Runtime: 63 ms
Best_solution:
concise Java Solution O(N) time O(26) space
//(c[25] - 1) * (n + 1) + 25 - i is frame size
// when inserting chars, the frame might be "burst", then tasks.length takes precedence \,
// when 25 - i > n, the frame is already full at construction, the following is still valid.
public class Solution {
  public int leastInterval(char[] tasks, int n) {
   int[]c = new int[26];
   for(char t: tasks){
     c[t - 'A']++;
   }
   Arrays.sort(c);
   int i = 25;
   while(i \ge 0 \&\& c[i] == c[25]) i--;
   return Math.max(tasks.length, (c[25] - 1) * (n + 1) + 25 - i);
}
600,Add One Row to Tree:
Python_solution:
Short Python BFS
def addOneRow(self, root, v, d):
  dummy, dummy.left = TreeNode(None), root
  row = [dummy]
  for _ in range(d - 1):
   row = [kid for node in row for kid in (node.left, node.right) if kid]
  for node in row:
   node.left, node.left.left = TreeNode(v), node.left
   node.right, node.right.right = TreeNode(v), node.right
  return dummy.left
Best_solution:
[C++] [Java] 10 line Solution - no helper
601, Maximum Distance in Arrays:
Best_solution:
Java Solution, Min and Max
public class Solution {
  public int maxDistance(int[][] arrays) {
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int result = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
   int max = arrays[0][arrays[0].length - 1];
   int min = arrays[0][0];
   for (int i = 1; i < arrays.length; i++) {
      result = Math.max(result, Math.abs(arrays[i][0] - max));
      result = Math.max(result, Math.abs(arrays[i][arrays[i].length - 1] - min));
      max = Math.max(max, arrays[i][arrays[i].length - 1]);
      min = Math.min(min, arrays[i][0]);
    return result;
}
602, Minimum Factorization:
Python_solution:
Python DP solution
a < 10
Best_solution:
Java Solution, result array
public class Solution {
  public int smallestFactorization(int n) {
    // Case 1: If number is smaller than 10
   if (n < 10) return n;
   // Case 2: Start with 9 and try every possible digit
   List<Integer> res = new ArrayList<>();
    for (int i = 9; i > 1; i--) {
      // If current digit divides n, then store all
      // occurrences of current digit in res
      while (n \% i == 0) \{
        n = n / i;
        res.add(i);
      }
   }
   // If n could not be broken in form of digits
   if (n!=1) return 0;
   // Get the result from the array in reverse order
   long result = 0;
   for (int i = res.size() - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
      result = result * 10 + res.get(i);
      if (result > Integer.MAX_VALUE) return 0;
   }
   return (int)result;
}
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604,Swap Salary:
Best_solution:
Accept solution with xor
update salary set sex = CHAR(ASCII('f') ^ ASCII('m') ^ ASCII(sex));
605, Maximum Product of Three Numbers:
Python solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
def maximumProduct(self, A):
 A.sort()
 if len(A) > 6:
   A = A[:3] + A[-3:]
 return max(A[i] * A[j] * A[k]
            for i in xrange(len(A))
            for j in xrange(i+1, len(A))
            for k in xrange(j+1, len(A)))
Best_solution:
Java Easy AC...
 public int maximumProduct(int[] nums) {
    Arrays.sort(nums);
    //One of the Three Numbers is the maximum value in the array.
    int a = nums[nums.length - 1] * nums[nums.length - 2] * nums[nums.length - 3];
    int b = nums[0] * nums[1] * nums[nums.length - 1];
    return a > b?a:b;
 }
606,K Inverse Pairs Array:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
dp[n][k]
Best_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
dp[n][k]
607,Course Schedule III:
Python_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
Best_solution:
Python, Straightforward with Explanation
608,Design Excel Sum Formula:
Python_solution:
Python 'Run Code' showed error in expected answer
None
Best_solution:
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C++ straight forward
class Excel {
private:
  int **dict;
 int offset, H, W;
  unordered_map<int, vector<string>> mp;
public:
  Excel(int H, char W) {
    offset = 'A';
    this->H = H;
    this->W = W - offset + 1;
    mp.clear();
    dict = new int*[H];
    for (int i = 0; i < H; i++) {
      dict[i] = new int[this->W];
      memset(dict[i], 0, sizeof(int)*this->W);
   }
 }
 void set (int r, char c, int v) {
    int k = (r << 10) + c;
    dict[r-1][c-offset] = v;
    mp.erase(k);
 }
  int get (int r, char c) {
    int k = (r << 10) + c;
    if(mp.find(k) == mp.end())
      return dict[r - 1][c - offset];
    return get_cells(mp[k]);
  int sum (int r, char c, vector<string> strs) {
    int k = (r << 10) + c;
    dict[r - 1][c - offset] = get_cells(strs);
    mp[k] = strs;
    return dict[r - 1][c - offset];
  int get_cells(vector<string> &strs) {
    int res = 0;
    for (auto s:strs) {
      if (s.find(':') == -1)
        res += get_cell(s);
      else
        res += get_cell_range(s);
    }
    return res;
  }
  int get_cell(string &cell) {
    int r = 0, idx = 0;
    char c = cell[idx++];
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while (idx < cell.length())
      r = 10 * r + cell[idx++] - '0';
    return get(r, c);
  int get_cell_range(string &cell_range) {
    int rs = 0, re = 0, idx = 0, res = 0;
    char cs, ce;
    int seg = cell_range.find(':');
    cs = cell_range[idx++];
    while (idx < seg)
      rs = 10 * rs + cell_range[idx++] - '0';
    idx++;
    ce = cell_range[idx++];
    while (idx < cell_range.length())
      re = 10 * re + cell_range[idx++] - '0';
    for (int r = rs; r \le re; r++) {
      for (char c = cs; c <= ce; c++) {
        res += get(r, c);
      }
    }
    return res;
};
\ensuremath{^*}\xspace\ensuremath{\text{Your}} 
 Excel object will be instantiated and called as such:
* Excel obj = new Excel(H, W);
* obj.set(r,c,v);
* int param_2 = obj.get(r,c);
* int param_3 = obj.sum(r,c,strs);
*/
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