VG101 LAB 3 - Cube

LAB3 is a simple introduction to computer graphics. In this lab, the input is a 3×3 matrix, named A, and your program should output corresponding picture in the command window. The input lays in a txt file named "input.txt".

There are some examples:

Input 1

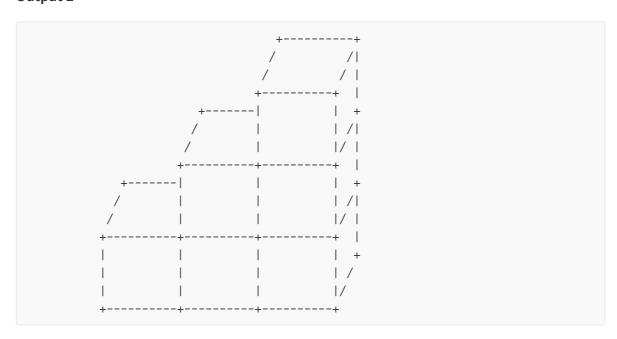
$$A = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output 1

Input 2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output 2



Input 3

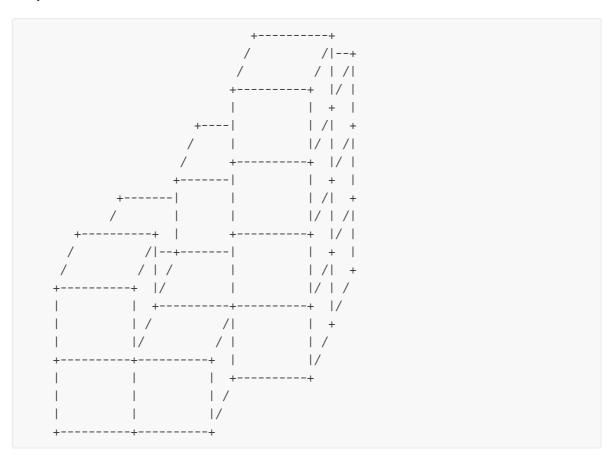
$$A = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \ 1 & 2 & 1 \ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output 3

Input 4

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

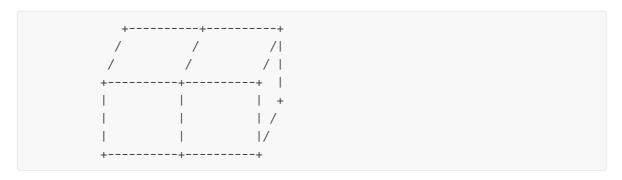
Output 4



It seems to be difficult to complete such a graph, but you may follow the following tasks:

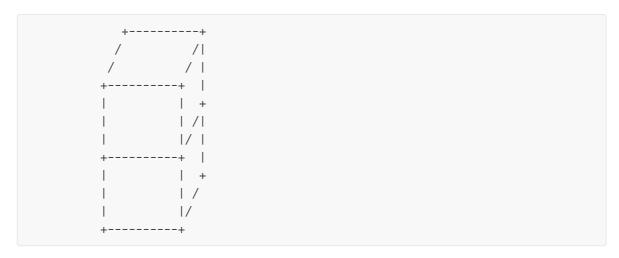
Task 1 (5 pts)

Draw one cube on the screen, and then try to draw two cubes in parallel (calculate the top-left point of the second cube and concatenate it to the first cube). If you have finished this task, you will obtain a graph like this.



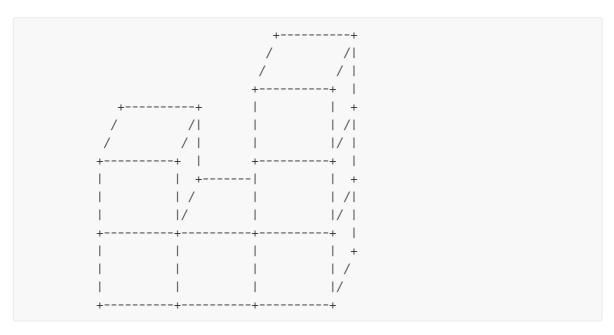
Task 2 (5 pts)

Draw two cubes in the first column. If you have finished this task, you will obtain a graph like this.



Task 3 (10 pts)

Calculate the position of cubes in row one of the matrix, and try to draw it on screen. After you have finished this task, you will be able to generate a graph like this.



Task 4 (5 pts)

Draw a cube in front of another cube (still, calculate the position of the top-left point, beware that you should transform a 3-D coordinate to 2-D). If you have finished this task, you will obtain a graph like this.

Task 5 (20 pts)

Use the results above to generate the whole graph.

Task6 (5 pts)

Add some decorations to your cubes:) like this

Hints

- 1. Choose an easy-to-draw cube is very important. You can use the cube shown in this file, it's rather easy-to-draw.
- 2. A matrix is totally rectangular, but a cube is not exactly. Use 0 to fill the parts that should be transparent and use matrix manipulation to add it to a blank matrix.
- 3. Use series in mathematics to calculate position and you could get a equation [top, left] = [t(x, y), l(x, y)]. Remember what top and left means for a matrix (its actually not the "+" in the given cube)
- 4. Leave enough space for the matrix to grow to the left (use zeros function to generate a proper matrix in advance, it will make your life easier).