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All 4 questions are about array. Most of them are not about Dynamic programming.

1. Global Maximum

Consider an array of distinct positive integers where the elements are sorted in ascending order. We want to find all the subsequences of the array consisting of exactly m elements. For example, given array $a = [1, 2, 3, 4]$, the subsequences consisting of $m = 3$ elements are $[1, 2, 3]$, $[1, 2, 4]$, $[1, 3, 4]$, and $[2, 3, 4]$. Once we have all of the m -element subsequences, we find the value of *globalMaximum* using the following pseudocode:

```
globalMaximum = 0

for each subsequence, s, consisting of m elements {
    currentMinimum = 1018

    for each (x, y) pair of elements in subsequence s {
        absoluteDifference = abs(x - y)

        if absoluteDifference < currentMinimum {
            currentMinimum = absoluteDifference
        }

    }

    if currentMinimum > globalMaximum {
        globalMaximum = currentMinimum
    }
}
```

For example, given the array $a = [2, 3, 5, 9]$ and a length $m = 3$, first find all subsequences of length m .

```
[2, 3, 5]
[2, 3, 9]
[2, 5, 9]
[3, 5, 9]
```

Debugging output from the pseudocode is:

```
globalMaximum: 0

Subsequence: [2, 3, 5]
currentMinimum: 1000000000000000000
x: 3 y: 2 abs(x-y): 1 currentMinimum: 1
x: 5 y: 2 abs(x-y): 3 currentMinimum: 1
x: 5 y: 3 abs(x-y): 2 currentMinimum: 1
globalMaximum: max(globalMaximum, currentMinimum) = max(1, 0) = 1

Subsequence: [2, 3, 9]
currentMinimum: 1000000000000000000
x: 3 y: 2 abs(x-y): 1 currentMinimum: 1
x: 9 y: 2 abs(x-y): 7 currentMinimum: 1
x: 9 y: 3 abs(x-y): 6 currentMinimum: 1
globalMaximum: max(1, 1) = 1

Subsequence: [2, 5, 9]
currentMinimum: 1000000000000000000
x: 5 y: 2 abs(x-y): 3 currentMinimum: 3
x: 9 y: 2 abs(x-y): 7 currentMinimum: 3
x: 9 y: 5 abs(x-y): 4 currentMinimum: 3
globalMaximum: max(1, 3) = 3

Subsequence: [3, 5, 9]
currentMinimum: 1000000000000000000
x: 5 y: 3 abs(x-y): 2 currentMinimum: 2
x: 9 y: 3 abs(x-y): 6 currentMinimum: 2
x: 9 y: 5 abs(x-y): 4 currentMinimum: 2
globalMaximum: max(3, 2) = 3
```

In the example above, the final answer is *globalMaximum* = 3.

Function Description

Complete the function *findMaximum* in the editor below.

findMaximum has the following parameter(s):

- int arr[n]*: a sorted array of distinct integers
- int m*: an integer, the subsequences' length

Return

int: the *globalMaximum* calculated per the pseudocode

Constraints

- $2 \leq n \leq 10^5$
- $1 \leq a[i] \leq 10^9$.
- The array consists of distinct positive integers sorted in ascending order.
- $2 \leq m \leq n$

2. Even Subarray

A subarray is a contiguous portion of an array. Given an array of integers, determine the number of distinct subarrays that can be formed having at most a given number of odd elements. Two subarrays are distinct if they differ at even one position in their contents.

Example

numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4]
k = 1

The following is a list of the 8 distinct valid subarrays having no more than 1 odd element:

```
[1], [2], [3], [4], [1,2], [2, 3], [3, 4], [2, 3, 4]]
```

Function Description

Complete the function *evenSubarray* in the editor below.

evenSubarray has the following parameter(s):

int numbers[n]: an array of integers

int k: the maximum number of odd elements that can be in a subarray

Return

int: the number of distinct subarrays that can be formed as described

Constraints

- $1 \leq n \leq 1000$
- $1 \leq k \leq n$
- $1 \leq \text{numbers}[i] \leq 250$

Sample Input 0

STDIN	Function
4	→ numbers[] size n = 4
6	→ numbers = [6, 3, 5, 8]
3	
5	
8	
1	→ k = 1

Sample Output 0

```
6
```

Explanation 0

The distinct subarrays that can be formed are:

- 0 odd elements: [6] and [8].
- 1 odd element: [6, 3], [3], [5], and [5, 8]

3. Inversions

A subsequence is created by deleting zero or more elements from a list while maintaining the order. For example, the subsequences of $[1,2,3]$ are $[1]$, $[2]$, $[3]$, $[1,2]$, $[1,3]$, $[2,3]$, $[1,2,3]$. An *inversion* is a strictly decreasing subsequence of length 3. More formally, given an array, $p = p[n]$ an *inversion* in the array is any time some $p[i] > p[j] > p[k]$ and $i < j < k$.

Determine the number of inversions within a given array.

Example

$n = 5$

$arr = [5,3,4,2,1]$.

The array inversions are:

```
[5,3,2]
[5,3,1]
[5,4,2]
[5,4,1]
[5,2,1]
[3,2,1]
[4,2,1]
```

Example 2

$n = 4$

$prices = [4,2,2,1]$.

The only inversion is $[4, 2, 1]$ and there are two instances: indices 0, 1, 3 and indices 0, 2, 3. The arrays $[4, 2, 2]$ and $[2, 2, 1]$ are not considered inversions because they are not strictly decreasing.

Function Description

Complete the function *maxInversions* in the editor below.

maxInversions has the following parameter(s):

int prices[n]: an array of integers

Returns

long: a long integer denoting the number of inversions in the array.

Constraints

- $1 \leq n \leq 5000$
- $1 \leq arr[i] \leq 10^6$, where $0 \leq i < n$

There is a simplified version of this question :

- finding number of duplet-inversion
- finding number of triplet-inversion

4. Counting Binary Substrings

A substring is a group of contiguous characters in a string. For instance, all substrings of *abc* are [*a*, *b*, *c*, *ab*, *bc*, *abc*].

Given a binary representation of a number, determine the total number of substrings present that match the following conditions:

1. The 0s and 1s are grouped consecutively (e.g., *01*, *10*, *0011*, *1100*, *000111*, etc.).
2. The number of 0s in the substring is equal to the number of 1s in the substring.

As an example, consider the string *001101*. The 4 substrings matching the two conditions include [*0011*, *01*, *10*, *01*]. Note that *01* appears twice, from indices 1-2 and 4-5. There are other substrings, e.g. *001* and *011* that match the first condition but not the second.

Function Description

Complete the function *counting* in the editor below.

counting has the following parameter(s):

string s: a string representation of a binary integer

Returns

int: the number of substrings of *s* that satisfy the two conditions

Constraints

- $5 \leq |s| \leq 5 \times 10^5$
- each *s[i]* is either '0' or '1'

► Input Format for Custom Testing

▼ Sample Case 0

Sample Input 0

STDIN	Function Parameters
00110	s = "00110"

Sample Output 0

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