

740- Delete and Earn

Brute force approach:- Again create a decision tree, but again before that it's important to notice, that order of elements is not important.

And the repetition of elements does not have a big significance as.

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nums = [2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4]
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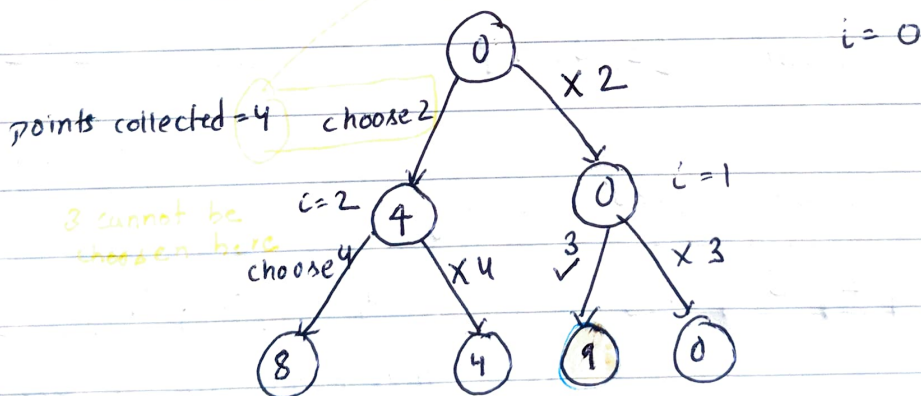
removing one 3 will remove all 2 and 4. So we can collect all the points all at one $3 \times 3 = 9$

➤ therefore first remove duplicates and store the count in hashmap/dict.

$[2, 3, 4]$

dict = {2:2, 3:3, 4:1}

2) Decision Tree



But this will take 2^n computation in worst case if there are no repetitions. Seems like memorization cannot happen here.

Creation of recurrence relation (Another approach)

$$F(x) = \text{max points at } x$$
$$F(n) = \max(F(n-1), F(n-2) + x * \text{dict}[n])$$

If x is chosen then points that can be earned is

$$F(x) = F(x-2) + x \times \text{dict}[x] \quad \leftarrow \text{points for choosing } x$$

else it would be same as-

$$F(x) = F(x-1)$$

\therefore max should be chosen

⇒ Base case can be created and it can be solved by using both memorization and tabulation technique.

⇒ But again above approach doesn't consider the gaps between nums. for example.

$$\text{nums} = [1, 3, 4, 10000]$$

The above algorithm starts (top-down) with 10000 and goes till base case, many iterations are unnecessary.

$$\text{bottom-up } (1000 \rightarrow 10000) = O(N + \text{maximum number})$$

⇒ Sort the elements and iterate (more efficient)

$$\text{nums} = [2, 3, 4]$$

$$\text{dict} = \begin{cases} 2: 2 \\ 3: 3 \\ 4: 1 \end{cases}$$

DP can be applied this way



$$\text{dp} = [4, 9, 9]$$

max points till $\text{dp}[0:1]$

max points till $\text{dp}[0:2]$

max points till $\text{dp}[0:3]$

Base case:

$$\text{dp}[0] = \text{nums}[0] \times \text{dp}[\text{nums}[0]] \rightarrow 2 \times 2 = 4$$

$$\text{dp}[1] = \max(\text{dp}[0], \text{nums}[1] \times \text{dp}[\text{nums}[1]]) = \max(4, 9) = 9$$

Remember $\text{dp}[1]$ cannot be chosen if $\text{dp}[0]$ is chosen.

$$\text{as } 2+1=3$$

If $\text{num}[i]$ was not 3 then (>3)

$$\text{dp}[i] = \max(\text{dp}[0], \text{dp}[0] + \text{nums}[i] \times \text{dict}[\text{nums}[i]])$$

$$\text{dp}[i] = A = \max \begin{pmatrix} \text{nums}[i] \times \text{dict}[\text{nums}[i]] + \text{dp}[i-2], \\ \text{dp}[i-1] \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } \text{nums}[i] == \text{nums}[i] + 1$$

$$B = \text{nums}[i] \times \text{dict}[\text{nums}[i]] + \text{dp}[i-1]$$

\Rightarrow else,

$$\text{dp}[i] = \max(A, B)$$

$$\Rightarrow O(N \log N)$$