## 1 UVA Problem 10561: Ferry Loading

## Background

Before bridges were common, ferries were used to transport cars across rivers. River ferries, unlike their larger cousins, run on a guide line and are powered by the river's current. Two lanes of cars drive onto the ferry from one end, the ferry crosses the river, and the cars exit from the other end of the ferry.

The cars waiting to board the ferry form a single queue, and the operator directs each car in turn to drive onto the port (left) or starboard (right) lane of the ferry so as to balance the load. Each car in the queue has a different length, which the operator estimates by inspecting the queue. Based on this inspection, the operator decides which side of the ferry each car should board, and boards as many cars as possible from the queue, subject to the length limit of the ferry. Your job is to write a program that will tell the operator which car to load on which side so as to maximize the number of cars loaded.

### Input

The input begins with a single positive integer on a line by itself indicating the number of the cases following, each of them as described below. This line is followed by a blank line, and there is also a blank line between two consecutive inputs.

The first line of input contains a single integer between 1 and 100: the length of the ferry (in metres). For each car in the queue there is an additional line of input specifying the length of the car (in cm, an integer between 100 and 3000 inclusive). A nal line of input contains the integer 0. The cars must be loaded in order, subject to the constraint that the total length of cars on either side does not exceed the length of the ferry. Subject to this constraint as many cars should be loaded as possible, starting with the rst car in the queue and loading cars in order until no more can be loaded.

## Output

For each test case, the output must follow the description below. The outputs of two consecutive cases will be separated by a blank line.

The first line of outuput should give the number of cars that can be loaded onto the ferry. For each car that can be loaded onto the ferry, in the order the cars appear in the input, output a line containing "port" if the car is to be directed to the port side and "starboard" if the car is to be directed to the starboard side. If several arrangements of the cars meet the criteria above, any one will do.

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## 1.1 Mathematical Formulation

We are given an input of L for length of ferry, followed by an input of N cars in the form  $l_1, l_2, ..., l_N$  of which  $n, 1 \le n \le N$  will fit onto the ferry if optimally placed. The algorithm will decide what the number n is as well as whether each of these n cars should go to port or starboard in the order seen.

## 1.2 Solution

Important Confusing Data Structures:

- ullet boolean[2][LENGT+1] lastUsed : keeps track of the last seen possible car lengths
- boolean[202][LENGT+1] solutions : yes
- int[202] carLen: Keeps track of the car lengths that have been seen thus far.  $carLength[1] = l_1$

We treat this problem as the classic napsack dynamic programming problem except, instead of having one napsack we have two. Therefore the relationship we will be doing is for each open state and given a new value  $v_i$ :

$$state(i, v_1, v_2) = \begin{cases} state(i+1, v_1 + v_i, v_2), & if \ v_1 + v_i \leq L \\ state(i+1, v_1, v_2 + v_i), & if \ v_2 + v_i \leq L \end{cases}$$

If we use this exsact model we will have to use data structures for storage in the  $3^{rd}$  degree, so as a trick to stay on a 2-Dimentional grid we use a trick. Since we know that  $|v_1| + |v_2| + |v_i| = \ell_i$  when item  $v_i$  has been added where  $\ell_i = \sum_{i=1}^k l_i$  and  $k \leq n$ . This fact is useful because then we just have to keep track of two things:  $\ell_i$  and either  $|v_1|$  or  $|v_2|$ . For this specific problem,  $v_1 = port$  and  $v_2 = starbord$  we can have the following:

$$state(i, v_2) = \begin{cases} state(i+1, v_2 + v_i), & if |v_2| + |v_i| \leq L \implies starboard \\ state(i+1, v_2), & if |\ell_i| - |v_2| \leq L \implies port \end{cases}$$

This way we only need to know  $v_2$  length of starboard side,  $v_i$  length of current car, and  $\ell$  length of total cars seen thusfar. This is only to build the table which we will in turn backtrack to determine for each car wheather to go to starboard or port.

## **Algorithm 1** Main and Build

```
procedure BUILD
   for numberOfCases do
       LENGTH \leftarrow Integer.parseInt(line) * 100
       lastUsed, solutions, carLen \leftarrow initialized (see above)
       booleandone \leftarrow true
       curRow, invRow, curCar, n, sumLen, lastLen \leftarrow initialized to 0
       while true do
          currentLen \leftarrow Integer.parseInt(in.nextLine)
          if currentLen == 0 then
              break
          if done then
              continue
          invRow \leftarrow curRow
          curRow \leftarrow (curRow + 1) \% 2
          curCar++
          carLen[curCar] \leftarrow currentLen
          sumLen += currentLen
          Arrays.fill(lastUsed[curRow], false)
          boolean\ canLoad \leftarrow false;
          for len \in 0..LENGTH do
              if !lastUsed[invRow][len] then
                 continue
              intpos \leftarrow len + currentLen
              if pos \leq LENGTH then // Starboard
                 lastUsed[curRow][pos] = true
                 lastLen = pos
                 canLoad = true
              if sumLen - len \leq LENGTH then // Port
                 lastUsed[curRow][len] = true
                 solutions[curCar][len] = true
                 lastLen = len
                 canLoad = true
          if !canLoad then
              done = true
          else
              n++
       BACKTRACK(n, lastLen, carLen, solutions)
```

The next and final step then is to bakctrack through the built solutions 2-D array and determine (from the last element) whether each car should go to starboard or port side. Now from the build phase we note that we have only been marking down true on the solutions array if the specified car can go to port. Another thing that we keep in mind is that we break out of the search once we have found the max number of cars we can place on the ferry, we will simply traceback through the algorithm starting with our last seen option.

### Algorithm 2 Backtrack and Print

```
procedure BACKTRACK(int n, int lastLen, int[] carLen, boolean[][] solutions)
  backtrack ← new boolean[n+1]
  for i = n..1 do
      if !solutions[i][lastLen] then
            lastLen -= carLen[i]
            backtrack[i] = false
            else
            backtrack[i] = true

PRINT(n)
  for i = 1..n do
      if !backtrack[i] then
            PRINT(starboard)
      else
            PRINT(port)
```

#### 1.3 Correctness

#### Proposition 1.

propose

Proof.

Using the fact that

## 1.4 Analysis

For the following analysis, we will say that..

**Proposition 2.** The space complexity of this algorithm is O(...)

Proof.

This is due to the fact that all of our data is stored in data structures:

• cause: reason  $\implies$  complexity

Giving us a space complexity of O(..)

Proposition 3. The time complexity of this algorithm is O(..)

*Proof.* This is the case because our algorithm...

Giving us a time complexity of  $\mathbf{O}(..)$ 

# 1.5 An Example

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