

# 1 Problem A: Amalgamated Artichokes

## Background

Explanation...

## 1.1 Mathematical Formulation

Given an input of integers  $p, a, b, c, d$ , and  $n$ , the formula  $f(x) = p \cdot (\sin(a \cdot x + b) + \cos(c \cdot x + d) + 2)$  where  $x \in [1, n]$ , determine the largest decrease between the integer values  $x_i, x_j$  where  $i < j$  and  $x_i \geq x_j$  and there does not exist another pair  $x_k, x_l$  where  $k < l$  and  $x_k \geq x_l$  but  $x_k - x_l > x_i - x_j$ .

## 1.2 Solution

The main functionality of this algorithm is to plug in each point keeping track of the highest seen point,  $h$ , the lowest seen point occurring after  $l$ , and the largest difference,  $d = h - l$ . It should be noted that since we are always taking the difference between the two values, we can factor out the  $\cdot p$  as well as neglect the  $+2$  portions of the formula. Also, to cut down on run time, it works in the java system if you `% pi` each of the entries before putting them into the sine and cosine functions. For whatever reason the larger the input, the more costly the operation is.

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### Algorithm 1 Main

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procedure F(x)
     $ab \leftarrow (a \cdot x + b) \% \pi$ ,
     $cd \leftarrow (c \cdot x + d) \% \pi$ ;
    return (Math.sin(ab) + Math.cos(cd))

procedure SOLVE(p, a, b, c, d, n)
     $val, h, l \leftarrow f(1)$ ;  $diff \leftarrow 0$ 
    for  $x \in [2, n]$  do // if  $n = 1$ , do not execute
         $val \leftarrow f(x)$ 
        if  $val > h$  then // higher than current highest
             $h, l \leftarrow val$ ;
        else if  $val < l$  then // lower than current lowest
             $l \leftarrow val$ ;  $curDiff \leftarrow h - l$ ;
            if  $curDiff > diff$  then  $diff \leftarrow curDiff$ ;
    PRINT( $p \cdot diff$ )

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## 1.3 Correctness

### Proposition 1.

*propose*

*Proof.*

Using the fact that

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## 1.4 Analysis

**Proposition 2.** The space complexity of this algorithm is  $O(1)$

*Proof.*

This is due to the fact that we will only store the values  $p, a, b, c, d, n$ , and  $diff$  as integer variables  $O(1)$ :

Giving us a space complexity of  $O(1)$

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

*Proof.* This is the case because our algorithm goes through the points  $1, 2, \dots, n$  once and only calculates each value one time.

Giving us a time complexity of  $O(N)$

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## 1.5 An Example