

## Hyperpublic Challenge - Problem 1

Hyperpublic users can add their friends by emailing a photo of them to [add@hyperpublic.com](mailto:add@hyperpublic.com). We want to determine a user's influence on the system by determining how many users he is responsible for. A user's influence is calculated by giving him 1 point for every user he's added in addition to the sum of the influence scores of each user that he's added.

**Example:** User 0 adds User 1 and User 2. User 1 adds User 3.

User 0's influence score is 3. *(He added two users and one of them added added a third user.)*

User 1's is 1.

User 2's is 0.

User 3's is 0.

The above scenario is represented by the following input file. Line **i** is user ID **i** and position **j** within the line is marked with an **X** if user ID **i** added user ID **j**. Both row and column indices are 0-based:

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Use the [input file here](#) to determine what the highest influence score is among 100 random Hyperpublic users. To compute the answer to problem 1, append the top 3 influence totals together in descending order. *(For example if they are 17, 5, and 3 then submit 1753)*

**Answer**

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