

Problem 2492: Minimum Score of a Path Between Two Cities

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 58.23%

Paid Only: No

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Problem Description

You are given a positive integer n representing n cities numbered from 1 to n . You are also given a **2D** array `roads` where `roads[i] = [ai, bi, distancei]` indicates that there is a **bidirectional** road between cities `ai` and `bi` with a distance equal to `distancei`. The cities graph is not necessarily connected.

The **score** of a path between two cities is defined as the **minimum** distance of a road in this path.

Return **the minimum** possible score of a path between cities 1 and n .

Note :

- * A path is a sequence of roads between two cities. * It is allowed for a path to contain the same road **multiple** times, and you can visit cities 1 and n multiple times along the path.
- * The test cases are generated such that there is **at least** one path between 1 and n .

Example 1:



Input: $n = 4$, `roads = [[1,2,9],[2,3,6],[2,4,5],[1,4,7]]` **Output:** 5 **Explanation:** The path from city 1 to 4 with the minimum score is: $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4$. The score of this path is $\min(9,5) = 5$. It can be shown that no other path has less score.

Example 2:

Input: $n = 4$, $\text{roads} = [[1,2,2],[1,3,4],[3,4,7]]$ **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** The path from city 1 to 4 with the minimum score is: $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$. The score of this path is $\min(2,2,4,7) = 2$.

Constraints:

$2 \leq n \leq 105$ $1 \leq \text{roads.length} \leq 105$ $\text{roads}[i].\text{length} == 3$ $1 \leq a_i, b_i \leq n$ $a_i \neq b_i$ $1 \leq \text{distance}_i \leq 10^4$ * There are no repeated edges. * There is at least one path between 1 and n .

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int minScore(int n, vector<vector<int>>& roads) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int minScore(int n, int[][] roads) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def minScore(self, n: int, roads: List[List[int]]) -> int:
```