

Problem 3062: Winner of the Linked List Game

Problem Information

Difficulty: Easy

Acceptance Rate: 77.76%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Linked List

Problem Description

You are given the `head` of a linked list of **even** length containing integers.

Each **odd-indexed** node contains an odd integer and each **even-indexed** node contains an even integer.

We call each even-indexed node and its next node a **pair** , e.g., the nodes with indices `0` and `1` are a pair, the nodes with indices `2` and `3` are a pair, and so on.

For every **pair** , we compare the values of the nodes in the pair:

* If the odd-indexed node is higher, the `''Odd''` team gets a point. * If the even-indexed node is higher, the `''Even''` team gets a point.

Return _the name of the team with the**higher** points, if the points are equal, return_ `''Tie''` .

Example 1:

Input: head = [2,1]

Output: "Even"

Explanation: There is only one pair in this linked list and that is `(2,1)`. Since `2 > 1` , the Even team gets the point.

Hence, the answer would be `''Even''` .

****Example 2:****

****Input:**** head = [2,5,4,7,20,5]

****Output:**** "Odd"

****Explanation:**** There are `3` pairs in this linked list. Let's investigate each pair individually:

`(2,5)` -> Since `2 < 5`, The Odd team gets the point.

`(4,7)` -> Since `4 < 7`, The Odd team gets the point.

`(20,5)` -> Since `20 > 5`, The Even team gets the point.

The Odd team earned `2` points while the Even team got `1` point and the Odd team has the higher points.

Hence, the answer would be "Odd".

****Example 3:****

****Input:**** head = [4,5,2,1]

****Output:**** "Tie"

****Explanation:**** There are `2` pairs in this linked list. Let's investigate each pair individually:

`(4,5)` -> Since `4 < 5`, the Odd team gets the point.

`(2,1)` -> Since `2 > 1`, the Even team gets the point.

Both teams earned `1` point.

Hence, the answer would be "Tie".

****Constraints:****

* The number of nodes in the list is in the range `[2, 100]`. * The number of nodes in the list is even. * `1 <= Node.val <= 100` * The value of each odd-indexed node is odd. * The value of

each even-indexed node is even.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
/*
 * Definition for singly-linked list.
 * struct ListNode {
 *     int val;
 *     ListNode *next;
 *     ListNode() : val(0), next(nullptr) {}
 *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(nullptr) {}
 *     ListNode(int x, ListNode *next) : val(x), next(next) {}
 * };
 */
class Solution {
public:
    string gameResult(ListNode* head) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
/*
 * Definition for singly-linked list.
 * public class ListNode {
 *     int val;
 *     ListNode next;
 *     ListNode() {}
 *     ListNode(int val) { this.val = val; }
 *     ListNode(int val, ListNode next) { this.val = val; this.next = next; }
 * }
 */
class Solution {
    public String gameResult(ListNode head) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode:
#     def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
#         self.val = val
#         self.next = next
# class Solution:
#     def gameResult(self, head: Optional[ListNode]) -> str:
```