

Problem 815: Bus Routes

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 46.99%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Hash Table, Breadth-First Search

Problem Description

You are given an array `routes` representing bus routes where `routes[i]` is a bus route that the `i`th bus repeats forever.

* For example, if `routes[0] = [1, 5, 7]`, this means that the 0th bus travels in the sequence `1 -> 5 -> 7 -> 1 -> 5 -> 7 -> 1 -> ...` forever.

You will start at the bus stop `source` (You are not on any bus initially), and you want to go to the bus stop `target`. You can travel between bus stops by buses only.

Return the least number of buses you must take to travel from `source` to `target`. Return `-1` if it is not possible.

Example 1:

Input: `routes = [[1,2,7],[3,6,7]]`, `source = 1`, `target = 6` **Output:** `2` **Explanation:** The best strategy is take the first bus to the bus stop 7, then take the second bus to the bus stop 6.

Example 2:

Input: `routes = [[7,12],[4,5,15],[6],[15,19],[9,12,13]]`, `source = 15`, `target = 12` **Output:** `-1`

Constraints:

`1 <= routes.length <= 500`. `1 <= routes[i].length <= 105`. All the values of `routes[i]` are **unique**. `sum(routes[i].length) <= 105`. `0 <= routes[i][j] < 106`. `0 <= source, target < 106`

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int numBusesToDestination(vector<vector<int>>& routes, int source, int  
        target) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int numBusesToDestination(int[][] routes, int source, int target) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def numBusesToDestination(self, routes: List[List[int]], source: int, target:  
        int) -> int:
```