

# Problem 2049: Count Nodes With the Highest Score

## Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 52.07%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Tree, Depth-First Search, Binary Tree

## Problem Description

There is a **binary** tree rooted at `0` consisting of `n` nodes. The nodes are labeled from `0` to `n - 1`. You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `parents` representing the tree, where `parents[i]` is the parent of node `i`. Since node `0` is the root, `parents[0] == -1`.

Each node has a **score**. To find the score of a node, consider if the node and the edges connected to it were **removed**. The tree would become one or more **non-empty** subtrees. The **size** of a subtree is the number of the nodes in it. The **score** of the node is the **product of the sizes** of all those subtrees.

Return **the number** of nodes that have the **highest score**.

**Example 1:**

 `!example-1`(<https://assets.leetcode.com/uploads/2021/10/03/example-1.png>)

**Input:** `parents = [-1,2,0,2,0]` **Output:** `3` **Explanation:** - The score of node 0 is:  $3 * 1 = 3$  - The score of node 1 is:  $4 = 4$  - The score of node 2 is:  $1 * 1 * 2 = 2$  - The score of node 3 is:  $4 = 4$  - The score of node 4 is:  $4 = 4$  The highest score is 4, and three nodes (node 1, node 3, and node 4) have the highest score.

**Example 2:**

 `!example-2`(<https://assets.leetcode.com/uploads/2021/10/03/example-2.png>)

**Input:** parents = [-1,2,0] **Output:** 2 **Explanation:** - The score of node 0 is:  $2 = 2$  - The score of node 1 is:  $2 = 2$  - The score of node 2 is:  $1 * 1 = 1$  The highest score is 2, and two nodes (node 0 and node 1) have the highest score.

**Constraints:**

\*  $n == \text{parents.length}$  \*  $2 \leq n \leq 105$  \*  $\text{parents}[0] == -1$  \*  $0 \leq \text{parents}[i] \leq n - 1$  for  $i \neq 0$  \* `parents` represents a valid binary tree.

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    int countHighestScoreNodes(vector<int>& parents) {

    }
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int countHighestScoreNodes(int[] parents) {

    }
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def countHighestScoreNodes(self, parents: List[int]) -> int:
```