

Problem 1237: Find Positive Integer Solution for a Given Equation

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

Given a callable function

$f(x, y)$

with a hidden formula

and a value

z

, reverse engineer the formula and return

all positive integer pairs

x

and

y

where

$f(x,y) == z$

. You may return the pairs in any order.

While the exact formula is hidden, the function is monotonically increasing, i.e.:

$$f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y)$$

$$f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)$$

The function interface is defined like this:

```
interface CustomFunction { public: // Returns some positive integer f(x, y) for two positive integers x and y based on a formula. int f(int x, int y); };
```

We will judge your solution as follows:

The judge has a list of

9

hidden implementations of

CustomFunction

, along with a way to generate an

answer key

of all valid pairs for a specific

z

.

The judge will receive two inputs: a

function_id

(to determine which implementation to test your code with), and the target

z

.

The judge will call your

findSolution

and compare your results with the

answer key

.

If your results match the

answer key

, your solution will be

Accepted

.

Example 1:

Input:

function_id = 1, z = 5

Output:

[[1,4],[2,3],[3,2],[4,1]]

Explanation:

The hidden formula for function_id = 1 is $f(x, y) = x + y$. The following positive integer values of x and y make $f(x, y)$ equal to 5: $x=1, y=4 \rightarrow f(1, 4) = 1 + 4 = 5$. $x=2, y=3 \rightarrow f(2, 3) = 2 + 3 = 5$. $x=3, y=2 \rightarrow f(3, 2) = 3 + 2 = 5$. $x=4, y=1 \rightarrow f(4, 1) = 4 + 1 = 5$.

Example 2:

Input:

function_id = 2, z = 5

Output:

[[1,5],[5,1]]

Explanation:

The hidden formula for function_id = 2 is $f(x, y) = x * y$. The following positive integer values of x and y make $f(x, y)$ equal to 5: $x=1, y=5 \rightarrow f(1, 5) = 1 * 5 = 5$. $x=5, y=1 \rightarrow f(5, 1) = 5 * 1 = 5$.

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{function_id} \leq 9$

$1 \leq z \leq 100$

It is guaranteed that the solutions of

$f(x, y) == z$

will be in the range

$1 \leq x, y \leq 1000$

.

It is also guaranteed that

$f(x, y)$

will fit in 32 bit signed integer if

$1 \leq x, y \leq 1000$

.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * public:
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * int f(int x, int y);
 * };
 */

class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<int>> findSolution(CustomFunction& customfunction, int z) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * public int f(int x, int y);
 * };
 */

class Solution {
    public List<List<Integer>> findSolution(CustomFunction customfunction, int z)
    {

    }
}
```

```
}
```

Python3:

```
"""
This is the custom function interface.
You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
class CustomFunction:
# Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
# i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
def f(self, x, y):

"""

class Solution:
def findSolution(self, customfunction: 'CustomFunction', z: int) ->
List[List[int]]:
```

Python:

```
"""
This is the custom function interface.
You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
class CustomFunction:
# Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
# i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
def f(self, x, y):
"""

class Solution(object):
def findSolution(self, customfunction, z):
"""
:type num: int
:type z: int
:rtype: List[List[int]]
"""
```

JavaScript:

```

/**
 * // This is the CustomFunction's API interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * function CustomFunction() {
 *   @param {integer, integer} x, y
 *   @return {integer}
 *   this.f = function(x, y) {
 *     ...
 *   };
 * };
 */

/**
 * @param {CustomFunction} customfunction
 * @param {integer} z
 * @return {integer[][]}
 */
var findSolution = function(customfunction, z) {

};

```

TypeScript:

```

/**
 * // This is the CustomFunction's API interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 *   f(x: number, y: number): number {}
 * }
 */

function findSolution(customfunction: CustomFunction, z: number): number[][]
{

};

```

C#:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * public class CustomFunction {
 *   // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.

```

```

* // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
* // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
* public int f(int x, int y);
* };
*/

public class Solution {
public IList<IList<int>> FindSolution(CustomFunction customfunction, int z) {

}

}

```

C:

```

/*
* // This is the definition for customFunction API.
* // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
*
* // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
* // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
* // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
*/

/**
* Return an array of arrays of size *returnSize.
* The sizes of the arrays are returned as *returnColumnSizes array.
* Note: Both returned array and *columnSizes array must be malloced, assume
caller calls free().
*/
int** findSolution(int (*customFunction)(int, int), int z, int* returnSize,
int** returnColumnSizes) {

}

```

Go:

```

/**
* This is the declaration of customFunction API.
* @param x int
* @param y int
* @return Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
* Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.

```



```

* i.e.  $f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y)$ ,  $f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)$ 
*/

func findSolution(customFunction func(int, int) int, z int) [][]int {

}

```

Kotlin:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns  $f(x, y)$  for any given positive integers  $x$  and  $y$ .
 * // Note that  $f(x, y)$  is increasing with respect to both  $x$  and  $y$ .
 * // i.e.  $f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y)$ ,  $f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)$ 
 * fun f(x:Int, y:Int):Int {}
 * };
 */

class Solution {
fun findSolution(customfunction:CustomFunction, z:Int):List<List<Int>> {

}

}

```

Swift:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns  $f(x, y)$  for any given positive integers  $x$  and  $y$ .
 * // Note that  $f(x, y)$  is increasing with respect to both  $x$  and  $y$ .
 * // i.e.  $f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y)$ ,  $f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)$ 
 * func f(_ x: Int, _ y: Int) -> Int {}
 * }
 */

class Solution {
func findSolution(_ customfunction: CustomFunction, _ z: Int) -> [[Int]] {

```

```
}  
}
```

Rust:

```
/*  
 * // This is the custom function interface.  
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation  
 * struct CustomFunction;  
 * impl CustomFunction {  
 * pub fn f(x:i32,y:i32)->i32{}  
 * }  
 */  
  
impl Solution {  
  pub fn find_solution(customfunction: &CustomFunction, z: i32) ->  
    Vec<Vec<i32>> {  
  
  }  
}
```

Ruby:

```
# This is the custom function interface.  
# You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation  
# class CustomFunction:  
# def f(self, x, y):  
# Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.  
# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.  
# i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)  
# end  
# end  
#  
  
# @param {CustomFunction} customfunction  
# @param {Integer} z  
# @return {List[List[Integer]]}  
def findSolution(customfunction, z)  
  
end
```

PHP:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * public function f($x, $y){}
 * };
 */

class Solution {
/**
 * @param CustomFunction $customfunction
 * @param Integer $z
 * @return Integer[][]
 */
function findSolution($customfunction, $n) {

}
}

```

Scala:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * def f(x: Int, y: Int): Int = {}
 * };
 */

object Solution {
def findSolution(customfunction: CustomFunction, z: Int): List[List[Int]] = {

}
}

```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*
 * Problem: Find Positive Integer Solution for a Given Equation
 * Difficulty: Medium
 * Tags: array, math, search
 *
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
 */

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * public:
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * int f(int x, int y);
 * };
 */

class Solution {
public:
    vector<vector<int>>> findSolution(CustomFunction& customfunction, int z) {

    }
};
```

Java Solution:

```
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 */
```

```

*/

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* class CustomFunction {
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* // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
* // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
* public int f(int x, int y);
* };
*/

class Solution {
public List<List<Integer>> findSolution(CustomFunction customfunction, int z)
{

}

}
}

```

Python3 Solution:

```

"""
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Difficulty: Medium
Tags: array, math, search

Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
"""

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class CustomFunction:
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# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
# i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
def f(self, x, y):

```

```

"""

class Solution:
def findSolution(self, customfunction: 'CustomFunction', z: int) ->
List[List[int]]:
# TODO: Implement optimized solution
pass

```

Python Solution:

```

"""
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class CustomFunction:
# Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
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def f(self, x, y):
"""

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def findSolution(self, customfunction, z):
"""
:type num: int
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"""

```

JavaScript Solution:

```

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 */

/**

```

```

* // This is the CustomFunction's API interface.
* // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
* function CustomFunction() {
*   @param {integer, integer} x, y
*   @return {integer}
*   this.f = function(x, y) {
*     ...
*   };
* };
*/

/**
* @param {CustomFunction} customfunction
* @param {integer} z
* @return {integer[][]}
*/
var findSolution = function(customfunction, z) {

};

```

TypeScript Solution:

```

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* Tags: array, math, search
*
* Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
* Time Complexity:  $O(n)$  or  $O(n \log n)$ 
* Space Complexity:  $O(1)$  to  $O(n)$  depending on approach
*/

/**
* // This is the CustomFunction's API interface.
* // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
* class CustomFunction {
*   f(x: number, y: number): number {}
* }
*/

function findSolution(customfunction: CustomFunction, z: number): number[][]

```

```
{  
  
};
```

C# Solution:

```
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 * Problem: Find Positive Integer Solution for a Given Equation  
 * Difficulty: Medium  
 * Tags: array, math, search  
 *  
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique  
 * Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)  
 * Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach  
 */  
  
/*  
 * // This is the custom function interface.  
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation  
 * public class CustomFunction {  
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.  
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.  
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)  
 * public int f(int x, int y);  
 * };  
 */  
  
public class Solution {  
    public IList<IList<int>> FindSolution(CustomFunction customfunction, int z) {  
  
    }  
}
```

C Solution:

```
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 * Difficulty: Medium  
 * Tags: array, math, search  
 *  
 * Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique  
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```

* Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
*/

/*
* // This is the definition for customFunction API.
* // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
*
* // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
* // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
* // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
*/

/**
* Return an array of arrays of size *returnSize.
* The sizes of the arrays are returned as *returnColumnSizes array.
* Note: Both returned array and *columnSizes array must be malloced, assume
caller calls free().
*/
int** findSolution(int (*customFunction)(int, int), int z, int* returnSize,
int** returnColumnSizes) {

}

```

Go Solution:

```

// Problem: Find Positive Integer Solution for a Given Equation
// Difficulty: Medium
// Tags: array, math, search
//
// Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
// Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
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/**
* This is the declaration of customFunction API.
* @param x int
* @param y int
* @return Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
* Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
* i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
*/

```

```
func findSolution(customFunction func(int, int) int, z int) [][]int {

}
```

Kotlin Solution:

```
/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * fun f(x:Int, y:Int):Int {}
 * };
 */

class Solution {
fun findSolution(customfunction:CustomFunction, z:Int):List<List<Int>>> {

}

}
```

Swift Solution:

```
/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * func f(_ x: Int, _ y: Int) -> Int {}
 * }
 */

class Solution {
func findSolution(_ customfunction: CustomFunction, _ z: Int) -> [[Int]] {

}

}
```

```
}
```

Rust Solution:

```
// Problem: Find Positive Integer Solution for a Given Equation
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// Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
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// Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * struct CustomFunction;
 * impl CustomFunction {
 * pub fn f(x:i32,y:i32)->i32{}
 * }
 */

impl Solution {
pub fn find_solution(customfunction: &CustomFunction, z: i32) ->
Vec<Vec<i32>> {

}
}
```

Ruby Solution:

```
# This is the custom function interface.
# You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
# class CustomFunction:
# def f(self, x, y):
# Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
# Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
# i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
# end
# end
#
```

```

# @param {CustomFunction} customfunction
# @param {Integer} z
# @return {List[List[Integer]]}
def findSolution(customfunction, z)

end

```

PHP Solution:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * public function f($x, $y){}
 * };
 */

class Solution {
/**
 * @param CustomFunction $customfunction
 * @param Integer $z
 * @return Integer[][]
 */
function findSolution($customfunction, $n) {

}

}

```

Scala Solution:

```

/*
 * // This is the custom function interface.
 * // You should not implement it, or speculate about its implementation
 * class CustomFunction {
 * // Returns f(x, y) for any given positive integers x and y.
 * // Note that f(x, y) is increasing with respect to both x and y.
 * // i.e. f(x, y) < f(x + 1, y), f(x, y) < f(x, y + 1)
 * def f(x: Int, y: Int): Int = {}

```

```
* };  
*/  
  
object Solution {  
  def findSolution(customfunction: CustomFunction, z: Int): List[List[Int]] = {  
  
  }  
}
```