

Problem 2594: Minimum Time to Repair Cars

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 59.74%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Binary Search

Problem Description

You are given an integer array `ranks` representing the **ranks** of some mechanics. $ranks[i]$ is the rank of the i^{th} mechanic. A mechanic with a rank `r` can repair n cars in $r * n^2$ minutes.

You are also given an integer `cars` representing the total number of cars waiting in the garage to be repaired.

Return _the^{**minimum**} time taken to repair all the cars._

Note: All the mechanics can repair the cars simultaneously.

Example 1:

Input: ranks = [4,2,3,1], cars = 10 **Output:** 16 **Explanation:** - The first mechanic will repair two cars. The time required is $4 * 2 * 2 = 16$ minutes. - The second mechanic will repair two cars. The time required is $2 * 2 * 2 = 8$ minutes. - The third mechanic will repair two cars. The time required is $3 * 2 * 2 = 12$ minutes. - The fourth mechanic will repair four cars. The time required is $1 * 4 * 4 = 16$ minutes. It can be proved that the cars cannot be repaired in less than 16 minutes.

Example 2:

Input: ranks = [5,1,8], cars = 6 **Output:** 16 **Explanation:** - The first mechanic will repair one car. The time required is $5 * 1 * 1 = 5$ minutes. - The second mechanic will repair four cars. The time required is $1 * 4 * 4 = 16$ minutes. - The third mechanic will repair one car. The time required is $8 * 1 * 1 = 8$ minutes. It can be proved that the cars cannot be repaired in less than 16 minutes.

****Constraints:****

* `1 <= ranks.length <= 105` * `1 <= ranks[i] <= 100` * `1 <= cars <= 106`

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    long long repairCars(vector<int>& ranks, int cars) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
public long repairCars(int[] ranks, int cars) {  
  
}  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def repairCars(self, ranks: List[int], cars: int) -> int:
```