

# Infinitely Finite

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This problem was worth 500 points and was ranked easy. The authors of this problem are Aryan V S and Dhruv Chawla.

**Note:** GitHub does not support LaTeX in Markdown. If you want a more readable version of the problem, download the PDF file instead.

## Statement

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Dhruv gives Aryan a string  $s$  of length  $n$ . He asks Aryan to perform the following operations:

- Assign  $t = s$
- Assign  $r = \text{reverse}(s)$

Once Aryan completes the above operations, Dhruv asks him to perform the following operation an infinite number of times:

- $s = s + r + t$

The  $\text{reverse}(s)$  operation returns the reverse of a string i.e. "abcd" becomes "dcba", and "abc" becomes "cba", etc.

The  $x + y$  operation is the concatenation of two strings  $x$  and  $y$ .

Dhruv then asks Aryan  $q$  questions. Each question consists of an integer  $a_i$  and is of the form "What is the character present at  $s_{a_i}$ ?". Aryan thinks that the problem is trivial and asks you to solve it instead.

**Note:** The problem uses 1-based indexing in the testcases ( $1 \leq a_i \leq 10^{18}$ ).

## Input Format

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The first line of the input contains a single integer  $n$  - the length of the string  $s$  initially.

The second line contains the string  $s$  - the string contains only lowercase English characters  $a - z$ .

The third line contains a single integer  $q$  - the number of questions.

The fourth line contains  $q$  space separated integers  $a_i$  - the integers corresponding to the questions.

## Output Format

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The output should contain  $q$  lines.

The  $i^{th}$  line should contain the answer to the  $i^{th}$  question - the character present at  $s_{a_i}$ .

## Constraints

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$$1 \leq n \leq 2 * 10^5$$

$$1 \leq q \leq 5 * 10^5$$

$$1 \leq a_i \leq 10^{18}$$

## Sample Tests

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### Sample Test 1

#### Input

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1 5
2 clown
3 5
4 15 14 3 9 1000000000000000000
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#### Output

```
1 n
2 w
3 o
4 l
5 c
```

## Solution

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**Time Complexity:**  $O(n + q)$

**Space Complexity:**  $O(n)$

After performing the given operations on the input string "clown", we get something like:  $s = \text{clownnwolccloownnwolccloown}...$

We can notice that every  $2n$  characters, the string repeats itself, and therefore we only need to care about the first  $2n$  characters of  $s$ . That is, the  $i^{th}$  character is the same as the  $(2n + i^{th})$  character and the  $(4n + i^{th})$  character and so on. We can take all those indices modulo  $2n$  and print the character corresponding to that position.

#### Solution in C++:

```
1 #include <bits/stdc++.h>
2
3 int main () {
4     std::ios::sync_with_stdio(false);
5     std::cin.tie(nullptr);
6
7     int n, q;
8     std::string s;
9     std::cin >> n >> s >> q;
10
11     while (q--) {
12         int64_t a;
13         std::cin >> a;
14         --a;
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15     int64_t parity = a / n;
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17
18     if (parity & 1)
19         std::cout << s[n - 1 - a % n] << '\n';
20     else
21         std::cout << s[a % n] << '\n';
22 }
23
24 return 0;
25 }

```

### Solution in Python:

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1  n = int(input())
2  s = input()
3  q = int(input())
4  queries = list(map(int, input().split()))
5
6  s = s + s[::-1]
7
8  for i in range(q):
9      index = queries[i] - 1
10     print(s[index % (2 * n)])

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