



***A Ruby
meta-golf
session***



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The Challenge

<https://code.golf/gijswijts-sequence#ruby>



The Starter Code

<https://gitlab.com/-/snippets/4808279>



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Step 1

Iterate 1000 times over an array that:

- Puts the last item
- Performs the required evaluation logic
- appends the result to the array

Results in 1000 entries of result '1'

```
g=[1]

1000.times do |i|
  p g[-1]
  s=1
  g.append(s)
end
```

Output

1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1

Diff

Expected

1 1
2 1
3 2
4 1
5 1
6 2

Output

1 1
2 1
3 1
4 1



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Step 2

Add a line to dump your analysis on any chosen line

```
g=[1]
ln = 3

1000.times do |i|
  p g[-1]
  s=1
  print "gijswits dump: " if i == ln
  g.append(s)
end
```

Output

```
1
1
gijswits dump: 1
1
1
1
1
1
1
```

	Expected	Output
Diff	1 1	1 1
	2 1	2 1
	3 2	3 gijswits dump: 1
	4 1	4 1
	5 1	5 1
	6 2	



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Step 3

For line 3, need to compare arr[-1]
and arr[-2]

Use a 'stabby' lambda

```
[1]
[1],[1]
1, 1,[2]
1, 1, 2,[1]
1, 1, 2,[1],[1]
[1, 1, 2],[1, 1, 2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1,[2],[2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1,[2],[2],[2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2,[3]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 1
```

```
arr=[1]
lam = -> (p1, p2) { p1 == p2 }
line = 1

1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  print "arr[-1]: #{arr[-1]}, \
arr[-2]: #{arr[-2]}, \
lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2]): \
#{lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2])} " if i == line

  arr.append(s)
end
```

Output

```
1
1
arr[-1]: 1,    arr[-2]: 1,    lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2]):    true 1
1
1
1
1
1
1
```

	Expected	Output
1	1	1
2	1	1
3	2	arr[-1]: 1, arr[-2]: 1, lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2]): true 1
4	1	1
5	1	1



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Step 4

Increment 's' using the lambda

Move line_dump several lines to see next failure

```
arr=[1]
lam = -> (p1, p2) { p1 == p2 }
dump_line = 8

1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  print "arr[-1]: #{arr[-1]}, \
arr[-2]: #{arr[-2]}, \
lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2]): \
#{lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2])} " if i==dump_line
  s+=1 if lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2])
  arr.append(s)
end
```

Output	1	
	1	
	2	
	1	
	1	
	2	
	1	
Diff	6	2
	7	2
	6	2
	7	1
	8	1
	9	2
	10	arr[-1]: 2, arr[-2]: 1, lam.call(arr[-1],arr[-2]): false 1



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Step 5

Extract dump code to proc to save space

Note the change to calling the Proc with '[']

```
arr=[1]
lam = -> (p1, p2) { p1 == p2 }
dump_line = 5
gijs_dump = ->(s1, s2, lam) {
  print "s1: #{s1}, \
    s2: #{s2}, \
    lam[s1,s2]: #{lam[s1,s2]} "
}

1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  gijs_dump[arr[-1], arr[-2], lam] if i==dump_line
  s+=1 if lam[arr[-1],arr[-2]]
  arr.append(s)
end
```

Will be 1-line in future steps

Output

```
1
1
2
1
1
2
s1: 2, s2: 1, lam[s1,s2]: false 1
1
```

Diff	6	2
	7	2
	8	2

6	2
7	s1: 2, s2: 1, lam[s1,s2]: false 1
8	1
9	2
10	1
11	1
12	2



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Step 6

For line 6, need to compare
arr[-3..-1] with arr[-4..-6]

Without breaking earlier logic

```
[1]
[1],[1]
1, 1,[2]
1, 1, 2,[1]
1, 1, 2,[1],[1]
[1, 1, 2],[1, 1, 2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1,[2],[2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1,[2],[2],[2]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2,[3]
1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 1
```

```
arr=[1]
lam = -> (p1, p2) { p1 == p2 }
dump_line = 8
gijs_dump = ->(s1, s2, lam) { print "s1: #{s1}, s2: #{s2}, lam: #{lam}" }

10.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  (0..i).each do |f|
    gijs_dump[arr[-1-f..], arr[-2-2*f..-2-f], lam]
    if lam[arr[-1-f..],arr[-2-2*f..-2-f]]
      s+=1
      break
    end
  end
  arr.append(s)
end
```

Output

```
2
1
1
2
2
2
s1: [2], s2: [2], lam[s1,s2]: true 2
2
```

Diff	7	2	7	2
	8	2	8	2
	9		9	s1: [2], s2: [2], lam[s1,s2]: true 2
	10			
	11			
	12	2	10	2
	13			



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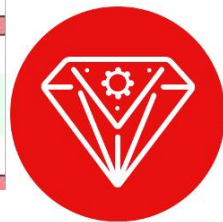
Step 8

For line 8, need to compare arr[-1] with arr[-2] with arr[-3]

Without breaking earlier logic

```
1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  (0..i).each do |f|
    # gijds_dump[arr[-3-3*f..-3-2*f],arr[-4-4*f..-4-3*f], ]
    if lam[arr[-1-f..],arr[-2-2*f..-2-f]]
      s+=1
      if lam[arr[-2-2*f..-2-f],arr[-3-3*f..-3-2*f]]
        s+=1
      end
    end
    break
  end
  arr.append(s)
end
```

Output	1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3]2	
Diff	216	3
	217	3
	218	3
	219	3



Step 9

Add extra print statements to better understand this error

'break' statement exits loop early during small repetitions

In this case: [3,3]

```
f1='arr[-1-f..]'  
f2='arr[-2-2*f..-2-f]'  
f3='arr[-3-3*f..-3-2*f]'  
f4='arr[-4-4*f..-4-3*f]'
```

Extract to strings to reduce duplication

```
1000.times do |i|  
  p arr[-1]  
  s=1  
  print arr[-40..] if i==dump_line  
  (0..i).each do |f|  
    gijds_dump[eval(f1),eval(f2), lam] if i==dump_line  
    if lam[eval(f1),eval(f2)]  
      s+=1  
      gijds_dump[eval(f2),eval(f3), lam] if i==dump_line  
      if lam[eval(f2),eval(f3)]  
        gijds_dump[eval(f3),eval(f4), lam] if i==dump_line  
        s+=1  
      end  
    end  
    break  
  end  
end
```

Execute using 'eval'

'break' causes early exit

Output

```
2, 2, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3]s1: [3], s2: [3], lam[s1,s2]: true s1: [3], s2: [2], lam[s1,s2]: false
```

Diff

```
218 3  
219  
220  
221 1
```

```
219 3  
220 1
```



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Step 10

Add magic numbers to resolve this later

```
1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  # print arr[-40..] if i==dump_line
  (0..i).each do |f|
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)
    gijds_dump[eval(f1),eval(f2), lam] if i==dump_line
    if lam[eval(f1),eval(f2)]
      s+=1
      gijds_dump[eval(f2),eval(f3), lam] if i==dump_line
      if lam[eval(f2),eval(f3)]
        gijds_dump[eval(f3),eval(f4), lam] if i==dump_line
        s+=1
      end
    end
    break
  end
  end
  arr.append(s)
```

Output	
1	
1	
2	
2	
1	
1	
2	
2	
2	
Diff	
218	3
219	3
220	
221	
222	
223	
224	



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Step 11

Add final conditional to get code passing

```
1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  # print arr[-40..] if i==dump_line
  (0..i).each do |f|
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)
    gijds_dump[eval(f1),eval(f2), lam] if i==dump_line
    if lam[eval(f1),eval(f2)]
      s+=1
      gijds_dump[eval(f2),eval(f3), lam] if i==dump_line
      if lam[eval(f2),eval(f3)]
        s+=1
        gijds_dump[eval(f3),eval(f4), lam] if i==dump_line
        if lam[eval(f3),eval(f4)]
          s+=1
        end
      end
    end
    break
  end
end
break
```

😊 Pass (2614ms)

Expected

1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2

Output

1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2



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Step 12

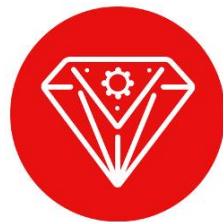
Refactor eval strings into a single lambda taking 1 arg

```
fa ==>(k) {"arr[-#{k}-#{k}*f...#{k}-#{k-1}*f]"}  
  
1000.times do |i|  
  p arr[-1]  
  s=1  
  # print arr[-40..] if i==dump_line  
  (0..i).each do |f|  
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)  
    gijds_dump[eval(fa[1]),eval(fa[2]), lam] if i==dump_line  
    if lam[eval(fa[1]),eval(fa[2])]   
      s+=1  
      gijds_dump[eval(fa[2]),eval(fa[3]), lam] if i==dump_line  
      if lam[eval(fa[2]),eval(fa[3])]   
        s+=1  
        gijds_dump[eval(fa[3]),eval(fa[4]), lam] if i==dump_l  
        if lam[eval(fa[3]),eval(fa[4])]   
          s+=1  
        end  
      end  
    end  
  end  
end
```

😊 Pass (2614ms)

Expected
1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2
2

Output
1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2
2



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Step 13

Use lambda recursively

Can't replace last one
because of syntax error when
trying to put 'break' inside
lambda

```
arr=[1]
lam = -> (p1, p2) { p1 == p2 }

fa =->(k) {"arr[-#{k}-#{k}*f..-#{k}-#{k-1}*f"]}
r = ->(n) {"if lam[eval(fa[#{n}]),eval(fa[#{n+1}])]s+=1;eval(r[#{n+1}]);end"}
1000.times do |i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  (0..i).each do |f|
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)
    if lam[eval(fa[1]),eval(fa[2])]
      s+=1
      eval(r[2]);break
    end
  end
  end
  arr.append(s)
end
```

😊 Pass (2614ms)

Expected
1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2
2

Output
1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2
2



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Step 14

Minify everything

```
arr=[1]
l=->(p,q){p==q}
h=->(k){"arr[-#{k}-#{k}*f...#{k}-#{k-1}*f"]}
r=->(n){"if l[eval(h[#{n}]),eval(h[#{n+1}])];s+=1;eval(r[#{n+1}]);end"}
1000.times do|i|
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  (0..i).each do|f|
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)
    if l[eval(h[1]),eval(h[2])]
      s+=1
      eval(r[2]);break
    end
  end
  arr.append(s)
end
```

😊 Pass (2614ms)

Expected

1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2

Output

1
1
2
1
1
2
2
2



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Before

```
g=[1]
f1 = "g[-1-f..]"
f2 = "g[-2-2*f..-2-f]"
f3 = "g[-3-3*f..-3-2*f]"
f4 = "g[-4-4*f..-4-3*f]"
1000.times do lil
  p g[-1]

  s=1
  (0..i).each do lfi
    if [216,436,657,877].include?(i);s+=1;
    # print "f: #{f}, f1: #{eval(f1)}, f2: #{eval(f2)} #{eval(f1) == eval(f2)}, f3: #{eval(f3)}
    ##{eval(f2) == eval(f3)}, f4: #{eval(f4)} #{eval(f3) == eval(f4)} "
    end
    if eval(f1) == eval(f2)
      s+=1
    if eval(f2) == eval(f3)
      s+=1
    if eval(f3) == eval(f4)
      s+=1
    end
    break
  end
  break
end
end
g.append(s)

end
```

After

```
arr=[1]
l=->{p,q}{p==q}
h=->{k}{"arr[-#{k}-#{k}*f..-#{k}-#{k-1}*f]"}
r=->{n}{"if ![eval(h[#{n}]),eval(h[#{n+1}]);s+=1;eval(r[#{n+1}]);end"}
1000.times do lil
  p arr[-1]
  s=1
  (0..i).each do lfi
    s+=1 if [216,436,657,877].include?(i)
    if ![eval(h[1]),eval(h[2])]
      s+=1
      eval(r[2]);break
    end
    end
    arr.append(s)
  end
```



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