

1641. Count Sorted Vowel Strings

Given an integer `n`, return the number of strings of length `n` that consist only of vowels (`a`, `e`, `i`, `o`, `u`) and are **lexicographically sorted**.

A string `s` is **lexicographically sorted** if for all valid `i`, `s[i]` is the same as or comes before `s[i+1]` in the alphabet.

Example 1:

Input: `n = 1`

Output: 5

Explanation: The 5 sorted strings that consist of vowels only are `["a", "e", "i", "o", "u"]`.

Example 2:

Input: `n = 2`

Output: 15

Explanation: The 15 sorted strings that consist of vowels only are `["aa", "ae", "ai", "ao", "au", "ee", "ei", "eo", "eu", "ii", "io", "iu", "oo", "ou", "uu"]`.

Note that "ea" is not a valid string since 'e' comes after 'a' in the alphabet.

Example 3:

Input: `n = 33`

Output: 66045

Constraints:

- `1 <= n <= 50`

```
def countVowelStrings(self, n: int) -> int:
    if n==1:
        return 5
    dp = [5,4,3,2,1]
    if n==2:
        return sum(dp)
    for i in range(3,n+1):
        j = 0
        while j<5:
            dp[j] = sum(dp[j:])
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        j = j+1
    return sum(dp)
```

Approach 2: Backtracking

```
def countVowelStrings(self, n: int) -> int:
    res = []
    ref = ['a','e','i','o','u']
    for i in ref:
        self.permute(i,n,res)
    return len(res)

def permute(self,ssf,n,res):
    if len(ssf)==n:
        res.append(ssf)
        return

    for i in ['a','e','i','o','u']:
        if ssf[-1]<=i:
            self.permute(ssf+i,n,res)
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