## **Impossibility**

## **Problem transformation**

This problem can be transformed to determine the upper bound of the guaranteed harvest.

## **Approach**

Assume the upper bound is the sum of all growth rates in the list, and f(x) represents the guaranteed harvest.

G represents the growth rate of the  $i_{\mbox{\scriptsize th}}$  bamboo and there are k bamboos, then:

$$f(x) < \sum_{i=1}^k G_i$$

To achieve a guaranteed harvest equal to the sum of all growth rates, the growth rate for each bamboo should be:

$$G_i = G_{avg} = rac{\sum_{i=1}^k G_i}{k}$$

However, in any given list of growth rates, the rates are distinct and in descending order. This means:

$$eg \exists i \in \{1, 2, 3..., k\} : G_i = G_{avg}$$

Therefore, for all provided growth rate lists, there exists an upper bound for the guaranteed harvest, which is:

$$f(x) = o(\sum_{i=1}^{k} G_i)$$

## Conclusion

In conclusion, it is impossible for the guaranteed daily harvest to equal the sum of all growth rates for the given bamboo plots.

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