

Add one to number

Problem: <https://www.interviewbit.com/problems/add-one-to-number/>

Given a non-negative number represented as an array of digits, add 1 to the number (increment the number represented by the digits). The digits are stored such that the most significant digit is first element of array.

Example:

If the vector has [1, 2, 3]
the returned vector should be [1, 2, 4]
as $123 + 1 = 124$.

Wrong Approach:

To convert the list elements to string then convert to integer, add 1, and then assign the values to different list as output.

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1. public class Solution {
2.     public ArrayList<Integer> plusOne(ArrayList<Integer> A) {
3.
4.         int i;
5.         String array_as_string="";
6.         ArrayList<Integer> output = new ArrayList<>();
7.         boolean check_for_zeros_at_start = false;
8.
9.         for(i=0;i<A.size();i++)
10.        {
11.            if(A.get(i)>0)
12.                check_for_zeros_at_start = true;
13.
14.
15.
16.            if(check_for_zeros_at_start)
17.                array_as_string+=A.get(i);
18.        }
19.
20.        if(array_as_string.length()==0)
21.        {
22.            output.add(1);
23.            return output;
24.        }
25.
26.        long num = Long.parseLong(array_as_string);
27.        num+=1;
28.    }
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29.     long dum_num = num;
30.     int length = A.size()-1;
31.
32.     while(dum_num>0)
33.     {
34.         int remainder = (int)(dum_num%10);
35.         output.add(remainder);
36.         dum_num/=10;
37.     }
38.
39.     Collections.reverse(output); //reversing the list
40.     return output;
41. }
42.
43. }

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Right Approach: To add one to number represented by digits, follow the below steps :

- Parse the given array from end like we do in school addition.
- If the last elements 9, make it 0 and carry = 1.
- For the next iteration check carry and if it adds to 10, do same as step 2.
- After adding carry, make carry = 0 for the next iteration.
- If the vectors add and increase the vector size, append 1 in the beginning.

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1. public class Solution {
2.     public ArrayList<Integer> plusOne(ArrayList<Integer> A) {
3.
4.         int length = A.size();
5.         int carry;
6.         int i;
7.
8.         A.set(length-1,A.get(length-1)+1);
9.         carry = A.get(length-1)/10;
10.        A.set(length-1,A.get(length-1)%10);
11.
12.        for(i=length-2;i>=0;i--)
13.        {
14.            if(carry==1)
15.            {
16.                A.set(i,A.get(i)+1);
17.                carry = A.get(i)/10;
18.                A.set(i,A.get(i)%10);
19.            }
20.
21.            else
22.                break;

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23.     }
24. //To handle the carry at the index 0 element
25. //for eg: 999
26.     if(carry==1)
27.         A.add(0,1); //Inserts value at the beginning
28.
29.     for(i=0; i<length; i++) //To remove the 0's before the MSB.
30.     {
31.         if(A.get(i)==0)
32.         {
33.             A.remove(i);
34.
35. //When the element is removed the size decreases and the next element is located
        on current index now.
36. //Inorder to not skip the next element we decrement our index.
37.         i--;
38.         }
39.         else
40.             break;
41.     }
42.
43.     if(A.size()==0) //If the given list contains only 0's we return 1.
44.     {
45.         A.add(0,1);
46.     }
47.     return A;
48.
49. }
50.
51. }

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