

DOUBT SESSIONS

1. Prime Number

The expression : $\frac{1}{x^{a_1}} + \frac{1}{x^{a_2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{x^{a_n}} = \frac{S}{t}$

$$\text{Let } p = (a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{S}{t} = \frac{x^{p-a_1} + x^{p-a_2} + x^{p-a_3} + \dots + x^{p-a_n}}{x^p}$$

Goal is to find GCD ($\sum_{i=1}^n x^{p-a_i}, x^p$)

\Rightarrow ans will be of the form x^{ans}

\Leftrightarrow We need to find largest value of ans such that $(\sum x^{p-a_i})$ is divisible by x^a .

Cool idea : x^a is present n times, these terms can be merged to form x^{a+1}

Exa : $x = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 2^3 + 2^4 + 2^8 + 2^{11} + 2^5 = 2^3(1 + 2^1 + 2^5 + 2^8 + 2^{11}) \\ &= 2^3(2 + 2^1 + 2^5 + 2^8) \\ &= 2^3 \cdot 2 (1 + 1 + 2^4 + 2^7) \\ &= 2^3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 (1 + 2^3 + 2^6) = 2^5 \end{aligned}$$

From here, we know that the largest power that will divide this expression

is 5.

Algo :-

① map < power, freq >

② Find the smallest power;

count the frequency

if ($freq \% X == 0$) {

 map[power + 1] += freq / n;

 delete power from the map

} else {

 return power

}

2. Find $(A, B) \% M$ where $A, B, M \leq 10^{18}$ and only use long long data type not $\text{int} - 128$.

$\text{int } a = 1\text{eb}, b = 1\text{eb}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a * b) \% (10^9 + 7)}{\downarrow} \Rightarrow \text{Incorrect}$$

$\text{int} * \text{int} \Rightarrow (\text{int})$

$1\text{eb} * 1\text{eb} \Rightarrow 1\text{e}^{12}$ (overflow)

Q8, Binary Form:

$$B = 2^{a_1} + 2^{a_2} + 2^{a_3} + \dots + 2^{a_n}$$

$$A * B = (A * 2^{a_1} + A * 2^{a_2} + \dots + A * 2^{a_n})$$

Taking $\%_{\text{mod}}$ on both sides,

$$\Rightarrow (A * B) \% \text{mod} = ((A * 2^{a_1}) \% \text{mod} + (A * 2^{a_2}) \% \text{mod} + \dots + (A * 2^{a_n}) \% \text{mod}) \% \text{mod}$$

$$\Rightarrow A * 2^{a_1}$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{If this is } 4} (A + A + A + A)$

$\xrightarrow{4 \text{ times}}$

Q8,

$$A * 4 \Rightarrow ((A * A) \% \text{mod} + A) \% \text{mod} + A \% \text{mod}$$

$$A * 8 \Rightarrow (A + \dots + A) 8 \text{ times}$$

Pseudocode:-

while ($b > 0$) {

 if ($b \& 1$)

 ans = (ans + a) % mod;

 a = (a + a) % mod; $2a, 4a, 8a, 16a, 32a, \dots$

 b /= 2;

}

3. Yet Another Broken Keyboard

Given, $s = abacaba$

Letters = a, b (valid, allowed).

Ex-1

Era :-

a b a c a b a

| 1 1 1 | 0 | 1 1 1 |

For any substring to be valid, it should
be continuous one

$$\text{No. of substrings} = \frac{2(3 \times 4)}{2} = 12$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} s & a & d & f & a & a & s & d & d & a \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline & 5 \times 6 & & & & 3 \times 4 & & & \\ & \hline & 2 & & & \hline & & & & & & & \\ & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow & & & \\ 15 & + & & & & 6 & = 21 & & \end{array}$$

4. Beautiful string

Suppose we want to find out if the k -th string will have 'a' in the beginning or not.

→ If fix 'a', then how many strings are psbl that will have a in the beginning.

4 place

$\boxed{a} - - - - 2B$

\downarrow

$4C_2 = 6$

The strings are sorted in lexicographical order, means strings with 'b's in later posⁿ appears first. For $n=5$, 'aaabb' is first and 'bbaaa' is last.

→ We can determine the posⁿ of first 'b' (from left). The no. of strings that begin with 'a' is the no. of ways to place two 'b's in the remaining $n-1$ posⁿ, which is $n-1 C_2$.

5. Delta & Function

Total Subst Psbl = $n C k$

$m = [1, 2, \dots, n]$, length = k

$E = \frac{1}{n C k} * \sum (\min \text{ value of each subset})$

Using the contribution Technique, the sum of min is :

$$\rightarrow \frac{1 * n-1 C_{k-1} + 2 * n-2 C_{k-1} + 3 * n-3 C_{k-1} + \dots}{n C k}$$