

Hello! Below is a short code snippet written in the C programming language. Please review the snippet and (briefly!) write the purpose of the supplied function on the line at the bottom of the page.

Just a few friendly reminders:

- The & operator is the bitwise AND (not the logical AND)
- The >> operator is the right shift operator – the operation $a \gg b$ shifts a 's bits b positions to the right
- `uint32_t` is a 32-bit unsigned integer, `uint8_t` is an 8-bit unsigned integer

```
uint32_t num_set_bits[] = {    0,
                              1,
                              1,
                              2,
                              1,
                              2,
                              2,
                              3,
                              1,
                              2,
                              2,
                              3,
                              2,
                              3,
                              3,
                              4 };
uint32_t f(uint8_t* data, int data_length) {
    uint32_t count = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<data_length; i++)
        count += num_set_bits[data[i] & 0xF] + num_set_bits[(data[i] >> 4) & 0x0F];
    return count;
}
```

What does f do?

Great! Now you understand what f does.

Now, please modify f so that it will count the number of pairs of set bits instead of single bits. Also please count pairs even if they overlap with a previously counted pair.

Here are a few examples:

- The pattern 00000111 contains 2 pairs
- The pattern 11011000 contains 2 pairs
- The pattern 01101000 contains 1 pair

Good luck!