NTUEE algorithm PA2 report

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data structures: Array , vector(c++ stl)

findings and some problems:

- 1. Bottom-up method will lead to TLE, since we don't need to calculate every case.
- 2. You need to use Top-down method with memorization to boost your speed.
- 3. Array is faster than vector when it comes to inserting many elements.
- 4. You should carefully use the 2D array otherwise it might be over the limited stack size
- 5. Sometimes when your program got killed on the server doesn't mean yours is wrong. Too many users on the server can lead to this result.
- 6. Using ulimit to set the stack size can only be set once. If you want to set it again, you can only set it lower.

solutions to problems:

- 1. I use recursive call but carefully check whether this (i,j) is calculated before, which can boost my speed.
- 2. I try to use Hash Table to minimize the memory, but I need to redefined Hash function in unordered_map(c++ stl), otherwise it cannot support multiple keys. Perhaps my hash function design is too bad, it turned out to be a disaster, which slows down my program and lead to many unpredictable problems(ex:collision).
- 3. To minimize memory, I only use a 2D array ,but in a clever way, I can remember three things in a single Integer value. Therefore I only use one 2D array, which is a comparably acceptable result.
 ⇒sol:

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int **answer;
   // answer[i][j]%10 = 0 means unvisited
   // answer[i][j]%10 = 1 means visited
   // answer[i][j]%100 means which case is (i,j)
   // answer[i][j]/100 means optimal number of chords
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