Algorithms: Programming Assignment One

Deadline: Oct 5, 2020

1. Write a program that accepts two integers n, k and finds $\lfloor n^{\frac{1}{k}} \rfloor$. The algorithm behind your program should run in time polynomial in $\log n$. Math libraries are not allowed.

Input format: The first line of the input consists of a number $t \geq 1$ of test cases. Each subsequent line consists of pairs n,k separated by a space. An example is given below.

2. Given an array A[1, 2, ..., n] of distinct elements, an inversion is a pair (i, j) of indices such that i < j and A[i] > A[j]. Eg: The sequence 3,8,0,-4,1 has 7 inversions, namely the pairs (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (3,4).

Write a program to count the number of inversions of a given array. The algorithm behind your input should run in $O(n \log n)$ time.

Input format: The first line of the input consists of a single integer: n, the number of elements in the array. The second line of the input consists of the elements of the array, separated by a space.

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Sample Input:
5
3 8 0 -4 -1
Sample Output:
7
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Constraints: $n \leq 10^5$.