

1) Write a program to solve a Sudoku puzzle by filling the empty cells.

A sudoku solution must satisfy **all of the following rules**:

1. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each row.
2. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each column.
3. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each of the 9 3x3 sub-boxes of the grid.

The '.' character indicates empty cells

5	3			7				
6			1	9	5			
	9	8					6	
8				6				3
4			8		3			1
7				2				6
	6					2	8	
			4	1	9			5
				8			7	9

**Input:** board =

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[["5","3",,",","7",,",",""],["6",,",","1","9","5",,",",""],["","9","8",,",","","6",,""],["8",,",","6",,",","3"],["4",,",","8",,",","3",,","1"],["7",,",","2",,",","6"],["","6",,",","2","8",,""],["",,","4","1","9",,"5"],["",,","8",,","7","9"]]
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**Output:**

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[["5","3","4","6","7","8","9","1","2"],["6","7","2","1","9","5","3","4","8"],["1","9","8","3","4","2","5","6","7"],["8","5","9","7","6","1","4","2","3"],["4","2","6","8","5","3","7","9","1"],["7","1","3","9","2","4","8","5","6"],["9","6","1","5","3","7","2","8","4"],["2","8","7","4","1","9","6","3","5"],["3","4","5","2","8","6","1","7","9"]]
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**Explanation:** The input board is shown above and the only valid solution is shown below:

5	3	4	6	7	8	9	1	2
6	7	2	1	9	5	3	4	8
1	9	8	3	4	2	5	6	7
8	5	9	7	6	1	4	2	3
4	2	6	8	5	3	7	9	1
7	1	3	9	2	4	8	5	6
9	6	1	5	3	7	2	8	4
2	8	7	4	1	9	6	3	5
3	4	5	2	8	6	1	7	9

2) Given  $n$  non-negative integers representing an elevation map where the width of each bar is 1, compute how much water it can trap after raining.

**Example 1:**



**Input:** height = [0,1,0,2,1,0,1,3,2,1,2,1]

**Output:** 6

**Explanation:** The above elevation map (black section) is represented by array [0,1,0,2,1,0,1,3,2,1,2,1]. In this case, 6 units of rain water (blue section) are being trapped.

**Example 2:**

**Input:** height = [4,2,0,3,2,5]

**Output:** 9

3) Implement [pow\(x, n\)](#), which calculates  $x$  raised to the power  $n$  (i.e.,  $x^n$ ).

**Example 1:**

**Input:**  $x = 2.00000$ ,  $n = 10$

**Output:** 1024.00000

**Example 2:**

**Input:**  $x = 2.10000$ ,  $n = 3$

**Output:** 9.26100

**Example 3:**

**Input:**  $x = 2.00000$ ,  $n = -2$

**Output:** 0.25000

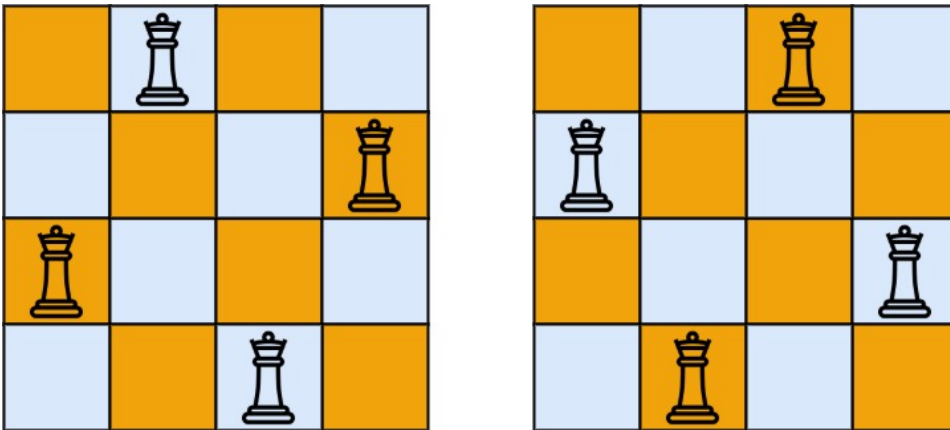
**Explanation:**  $2^{-2} = 1/2^2 = 1/4 = 0.25$

4) The  **$n$ -queens** puzzle is the problem of placing  $n$  queens on an  $n \times n$  chessboard such that no two queens attack each other.

Given an integer  $n$ , return *all distinct solutions to the  **$n$ -queens puzzle***. You may return the answer in **any order**.

Each solution contains a distinct board configuration of the  $n$ -queens' placement, where 'Q' and '.' both indicate a queen and an empty space, respectively.

### Example 1:



**Input:**  $n = 4$

**Output:** `[["Q...", "...Q", "Q...", ".Q."], ["..Q.", "Q...", "...Q", ".Q.."]]`

**Explanation:** There exist two distinct solutions to the 4-queens puzzle as shown above

### Example 2:

**Input:**  $n = 1$

**Output:** `[["Q"]]`

5) We can scramble a string  $s$  to get a string  $t$  using the following algorithm:

1. If the length of the string is 1, stop.
2. If the length of the string is  $> 1$ , do the following:
  - Split the string into two non-empty substrings at a random index, i.e., if the string is  $s$ , divide it to  $x$  and  $y$  where  $s = x + y$ .
  - **Randomly** decide to swap the two substrings or to keep them in the same order. i.e., after this step,  $s$  may become  $s = x + y$  or  $s = y + x$ .
  - Apply step 1 recursively on each of the two substrings  $x$  and  $y$ .

Given two strings  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  of **the same length**, return true if  $s_2$  is a scrambled string of  $s_1$ , otherwise, return false.

### Example 1:

**Input:**  $s_1 = \text{"great"}, s_2 = \text{"rgeat"}$

**Output:** true

**Explanation:** One possible scenario applied on  $s_1$  is:

$\text{"great"} \rightarrow \text{"gr/eat"}$  // divide at random index.

$\text{"gr/eat"} \rightarrow \text{"gr/eat"}$  // random decision is not to swap the two substrings and keep them in order.

$\text{"gr/eat"} \rightarrow \text{"g/r / e/at"}$  // apply the same algorithm recursively on both substrings. divide at random index each of them.

$\text{"g/r / e/at"} \rightarrow \text{"r/g / e/at"}$  // random decision was to swap the first substring and to keep the second substring in the same order.

$\text{"r/g / e/at"} \rightarrow \text{"r/g / e/ a/t"}$  // again apply the algorithm recursively, divide  $\text{"at"}$  to  $\text{"a/t"}$ .

$\text{"r/g / e/ a/t"} \rightarrow \text{"r/g / e/ a/t"}$  // random decision is to keep both substrings in the same order.

The algorithm stops now, and the result string is  $\text{"rgeat"}$  which is  $s_2$ .

As one possible scenario led  $s_1$  to be scrambled to  $s_2$ , we return true.

### Example 2:

**Input:** s1 = "abcde", s2 = "caebd"

**Output:** false

### Example 3:

**Input:** s1 = "a", s2 = "a"

**Output:** true

6) Given two strings s and t, return *the number of distinct subsequences of s which equals t*.

A string's **subsequence** is a new string formed from the original string by deleting some (can be none) of the characters without disturbing the remaining characters' relative positions. (i.e., "ACE" is a subsequence of "ABCDE" while "AEC" is not).

The test cases are generated so that the answer fits on a 32-bit signed integer.

### Example 1:

**Input:** s = "rabbbit", t = "rabbit"

**Output:** 3

**Explanation:**

As shown below, there are 3 ways you can generate "rabbit" from S.

rabbbit

rabbbit

rabbit

### Example 2:

**Input:** s = "babgbag", t = "bag"

**Output:** 5

**Explanation:**

As shown below, there are 5 ways you can generate "bag" from S.

babgbag

babgbag

babgbag

babgbag

babgbag

7) A **transformation sequence** from word beginWord to word endWord using a dictionary wordList is a sequence of words beginWord -> s<sub>1</sub> -> s<sub>2</sub> -> ... -> s<sub>k</sub> such that:

- Every adjacent pair of words differs by a single letter.
- Every s<sub>i</sub> for 1 ≤ i ≤ k is in wordList. Note that beginWord does not need to be in wordList.
- s<sub>k</sub> == endWord

Given two words, beginWord and endWord, and a dictionary wordList, return *the number of words in the shortest transformation sequence from beginWord to endWord, or 0 if no such sequence exists*.

**Example 1: Input:** beginWord = "hit", endWord = "cog", wordList = ["hot","dot","dog","lot","log","cog"]

**Output:** 5

**Explanation:** One shortest transformation sequence is "hit" -> "hot" -> "dot" -> "dog" -> "cog", which is 5 words long.

### Example 2:

**Input:** beginWord = "hit", endWord = "cog", wordList = ["hot","dot","dog","lot","log"]

**Output:** 0

**Explanation:** The endWord "cog" is not in wordList, therefore there is no valid transformation sequence.

8) You are a professional robber planning to rob houses along a street. Each house has a certain amount of money stashed, the only constraint stopping you from robbing each of them is that adjacent houses have security systems connected and **it will automatically contact the police if two adjacent houses were broken into on the same night.**

Given an integer array nums representing the amount of money of each house, return *the maximum amount of money you can rob tonight **without alerting the police.***

### Example 1:

**Input:** nums = [1,2,3,1]

**Output:** 4

**Explanation:** Rob house 1 (money = 1) and then rob house 3 (money = 3).

Total amount you can rob = 1 + 3 = 4.

### Example 2:

**Input:** nums = [2,7,9,3,1]

**Output:** 12

**Explanation:** Rob house 1 (money = 2), rob house 3 (money = 9) and rob house 5 (money = 1).

Total amount you can rob = 2 + 9 + 1 = 12.

9) You are given an array **A** of size **N**. You need to first push the elements of the array into a stack and then print minimum in the stack at each pop.

### Example 1: Input:

N = 5

A = {1 2 3 4 5}

**Output:**

1 1 1 1 1

**Explanation:**

After pushing elements to the stack,  
the stack will be "top -> 5, 4, 3, 2, 1".

Now, start popping elements from the stack

popping 5: min in the stack is 1. popped 5

popping 4: min in the stack is 1. popped 4

popping 3: min in the stack is 1. popped 3

popping 2: min in the stack is 1. popped 2

popping 1: min in the stack is 1. popped 1

### Example 2:

**Input:**

N = 7

A = {1 6 43 1 2 0 5}

**Output:**

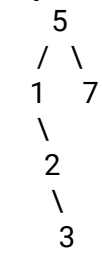
0 0 1 1 1 1 1

10) Given a BST and a number **X**, find **Ceil of X**.

**Note:** Ceil(X) is a number that is either equal to X or is immediately greater than X.

**Example 1:**

**Input:**



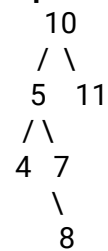
X = 3

**Output:** 3

**Explanation:** We find 3 in BST, so ceil of 3 is 3.

**Example 2:**

**Input:**



X = 6

**Output:** 7

**Explanation:** We find 7 in BST, so ceil of 6 is 7.

11) You are given a string s. You can convert s to a palindrome by adding characters in front of it.

Return *the shortest palindrome you can find by performing this transformation*.

**Example 1:**

**Input:** s = "aacecaaa"

**Output:** "aaacecaaa"

**Example 2:**

**Input:** s = "abcd"

**Output:** "dcbabcd"

12) You are given an array of people, `people`, which are the attributes of some people in a queue (not necessarily in order). Each `people[i] = [hi, ki]` represents the *i*<sup>th</sup> person of height  $h_i$  with **exactly**  $k_i$  other people in front who have a height greater than or equal to  $h_i$ .

Reconstruct and return *the queue that is represented by the input array people*. The returned queue should be formatted as an array `queue`, where `queue[j] = [hj, kj]` is the attributes of the *j*<sup>th</sup> person in the queue (`queue[0]` is the person at the front of the queue).

#### Example 1:

**Input:** `people = [[7,0],[4,4],[7,1],[5,0],[6,1],[5,2]]`

**Output:** `[[5,0],[7,0],[5,2],[6,1],[4,4],[7,1]]`

#### Explanation:

Person 0 has height 5 with no other people taller or the same height in front.

Person 1 has height 7 with no other people taller or the same height in front.

Person 2 has height 5 with two persons taller or the same height in front, which is person 0 and 1.

Person 3 has height 6 with one person taller or the same height in front, which is person 1.

Person 4 has height 4 with four people taller or the same height in front, which are people 0, 1, 2, and 3.

Person 5 has height 7 with one person taller or the same height in front, which is person 1.

Hence `[[5,0],[7,0],[5,2],[6,1],[4,4],[7,1]]` is the reconstructed queue.

#### Example 2:

**Input:** `people = [[6,0],[5,0],[4,0],[3,2],[2,2],[1,4]]`

**Output:** `[[4,0],[5,0],[2,2],[3,2],[1,4],[6,0]]`

13) Given an integer array `nums`, return *the number of all the **arithmetic subsequences** of*`nums`.

A sequence of numbers is called arithmetic if it consists of **at least three elements** and if the difference between any two consecutive elements is the same.

- For example, `[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]`, `[7, 7, 7, 7]`, and `[3, -1, -5, -9]` are arithmetic sequences.
- For example, `[1, 1, 2, 5, 7]` is not an arithmetic sequence.

A **subsequence** of an array is a sequence that can be formed by removing some elements (possibly none) of the array.

- For example, `[2,5,10]` is a subsequence of `[1,2,1,2,4,1,5,10]`.

The test cases are generated so that the answer fits in **32-bit** integer.

#### Example 1:

**Input:** `nums = [2,4,6,8,10]`

**Output:** 7

**Explanation:** All arithmetic subsequence slices are:

[2,4,6]

[4,6,8]

[6,8,10]

[2,4,6,8]

[4,6,8,10]

[2,4,6,8,10]

[2,6,10]

**Example 2:**

**Input:** nums = [7,7,7,7,7]

**Output:** 16

**Explanation:** Any subsequence of this array is arithmetic.

14) Given two string arrays word1 and word2, return true if the two arrays represent the same string, and false otherwise.

A string is represented by an array if the array elements concatenated in order forms the string.

Example 1:

Input: word1 = ["ab", "c"], word2 = ["a", "bc"]

Output: true

Explanation:

word1 represents string "ab" + "c" -> "abc"

word2 represents string "a" + "bc" -> "abc"

The strings are the same, so return true.

Example 2:

Input: word1 = ["a", "cb"], word2 = ["ab", "c"]

Output: false

Example 3:

Input: word1 = ["abc", "d", "defg"], word2 = ["abcddefg"]

Output: true



15) Given a string `s` containing just the characters '(', ')', '{', '}', '[' and ']', determine if the input string is valid.

An input string is valid if:

Open brackets must be closed by the same type of brackets.

Open brackets must be closed in the correct order.

Example 1:

Input: `s = "()"`

Output: true

Example 2:

Input: `s = "()[]{}"`

Output: true

Example 3:

Input: `s = "["`

Output: false