



Booby Trap Treasure Hunt

Problem Statement

- Convex Hull Trick inspiration
- input constraints
- cases fail for Naive DP
- greedy, ordered, mixed
- hard

Sample Input 1

3
1 10
3 3
5 0

Sample Output 1

45

Sample Input 2

3
1 10
10 5
11 0

Sample Output 2

110

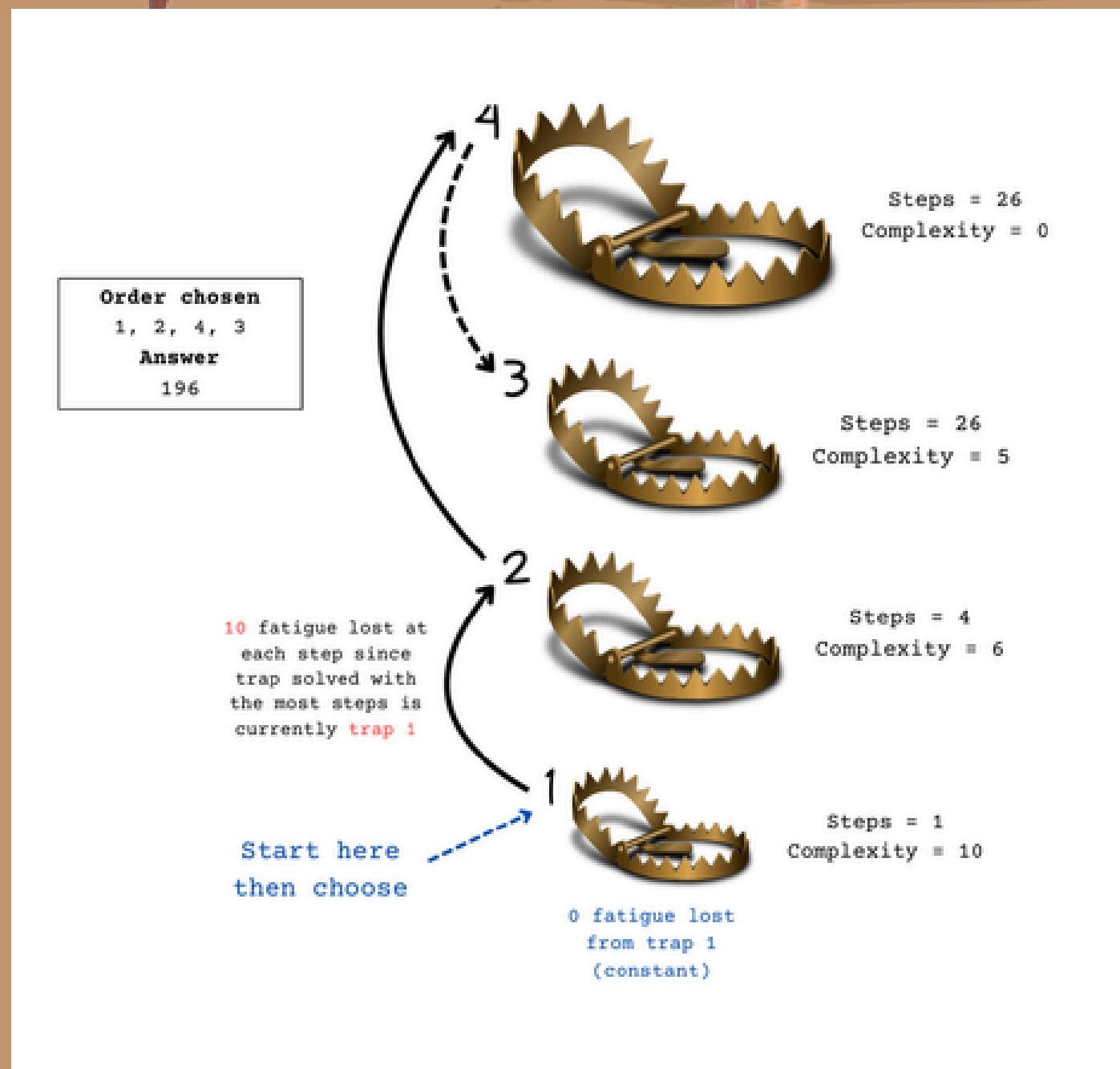
Sample Input 3

4
1 10
4 6
25 5
26 0

Sample Output 3

196

n	Slowest Accepted Algorithm
≤ 10	$O(n!)$, $O(n^6)$
≤ 15	$O(2^n \times n^2)$
≤ 20	$O(2^n)$, $O(n^5)$
≤ 50	$O(n^4)$
$\leq 10^2$	$O(n^3)$
$\leq 10^3$	$O(n^2)$
$\leq 10^5$	$O(n \log_2 n)$
$\leq 10^6$	$O(n)$, $O(\log_2 n)$, $O(1)$



Optimal Solution - Convex Hull Trick

$$dp_i = \min_{j < i} (\text{steps}_i \times \text{complexity}_j + dp_j) \rightarrow y = mx + b$$

Algorithm Idea:

- Maintain “hull”
- Add lines, delete useless lines
- query optimal $dp[i]$



Optimal Solution - Convex Hull Trick

- dp[]
- deque()

Line(m, c)

int getintersectx():

$$m_1x + b_1 = m_2x + b_2 \Rightarrow x = (b_2 - b_1) / (m_1 - m_2)$$

int eval()

helper functions:
bool is_bad(l1, l2, l3)
void add_line(line)
int query(x)

Inefficient Solution - Naive DP

- Time complexity: $O(n^2)$
- Space complexity: $O(n)$
- Fails for large input
- Seconds longer

```
# Time complexity: O(n^2)
n = int(input())
steps = []
complexities = []
for i in range(n):
    s, c = map(int, input().split())
    steps.append(s)
    complexities.append(c)

dp = [float('inf')] * n
dp[0] = 0

for i in range(1, n):
    for j in range(i):
        cost = dp[j] + (complexities[j] * steps[i])
        dp[i] = min(dp[i], cost)
print(int(dp[n - 1]))
```

Wrong Solution - Greedy

- Time complexity: $O(r)$
- Space complexity: $O(n)$
- Always goes for last trap (smallest complexity)
- Plain wrong

```
from sys import stdin
# Greedy approach is wrong
n = int(input())
steps = []
complexities = []
for i in range(n):
    s, c = map(int, input().split())
    steps.append(s)
    complexities.append(c)

print(steps[n - 1] * complexities[0])
```

Challenges

Constraints

- $r \leq N \leq 10^5$
- steps are strictly increasing
- complexities are strictly decreasing
- $\text{steps}_r = r$
- $\text{complexity}_N = 0$

$\text{steps}_1 = 1$, $\text{steps}_1 < \text{steps}_i < \text{steps}_n$ and
 $\text{complexity}_1 > \text{complexity}_i > \text{complexity}_n$
 $\text{complexity}_n = 0$.

Input validator

- Use pointers to keep track of previous values for steps and complexity

```
try:  
    n_line = sys.stdin.readline()  
    print(repr(n_line)) # useful for debugging to see where we have read  
    assert re.match('^[1-9][0-9]*\n$', n_line) # note: no leading zeros  
    n = int(n_line)  
    assert 1 <= n <= 100000  
  
    prev_steps = prev_complexity = None  
    for i in range(1, n+1):  
        case_line = sys.stdin.readline()  
  
        print(f"current line: {i + 1}")  
        print(f"Validating line format {repr(case_line)} against regex...")  
        assert re.match('^(0|[1-9][0-9]*) (0|[1-9][0-9]*)\n$', case_line)  
        print("Done validating line format against regex..")  
        # parse the line
```

Test Generator

- Use of pointers
- Challenge:
 - Random value generation

Example:

- $N = 5$
- $\text{steps}_1 = 0$
- step_2 , randomly assigned
 max_int

Solution:

- adjust lower / upper
bound of possible values

Correctness

- Manual tests
- Validate against solution

Edge case / malformed input handling

- Regex to check input format
- additionnal logic to check constraints

```
N vs lines:  
    N > lines  
    N < lines  
    N = lines  
  
complexity:  
    curr > prev  
    curr < prev  
    curr = prev  
    complexity_n = 0  
    complexity_n != 0  
  
steps:  
    curr > prev  
    curr < prev  
    curr = prev  
    steps_1 = 0  
    steps_1 != 0  
  
input:  
    lines don't contain expected input type (int)  
    too many ints / line, not enough ints / line
```

Presentation

- dungeon theme
- CHT, different contexts
- LLM for teaching and coding
- good collaboration
- improvements: dynamic CHT, Li Chao Tree