

Problem Solving 1

#QuoteOfTheWeek

"He who conquers himself is the mightiest warrior."

~ Confucius



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01. B closest points to Origin
02. Allocate books
03. K reverse linkedlist
04. Infix to postfix
05. Check two bracket Expression

video solution

B Closest Points to Origin

Problem Description

You are developing a feature for Zomato that helps users **find the nearest restaurants to their current location**. It uses GPS to determine the user's location and has access to a database of restaurants, each with its own set of coordinates in a two-dimensional space representing their geographical location on a map. The goal is to identify the "**B**" **closest restaurants** to the user, providing a quick and convenient way to choose where to eat.

Given a list of restaurant locations, denoted by **A** (each represented by its x and y coordinates on a map), and an integer **B** representing the number of closest restaurants to the user. The user's current location is assumed to be at the origin **(0, 0)**.

Here, the distance between two points on a plane is the Euclidean distance.

You may return the answer in **any order**. The answer is guaranteed to be unique (except for the order that it is in.)

NOTE: Euclidean distance between two points **P1(x1, y1)** and **P2(x2, y2)** is $\text{sqrt}((x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2)$.

$$\text{points}[] = \begin{bmatrix} [3, 3] \\ [5, -1] \\ [-2, 4] \end{bmatrix} \quad B = 2$$

$$\text{user} = [0, 0]$$

~~user~~

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{user} & & \\ \hline (x_1, y_1) & & (x_2, y_2) \\ & \downarrow & \end{array}$$

$$\text{dis} = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \\ \hline (0, 0) & & (x, y) \\ & \downarrow & \end{array}$$
$$\text{dis} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$7:13 \text{ AM} \rightarrow \underline{\underline{7:20 \text{ AM}}}$$

$$\text{points}[1][1] = \begin{bmatrix} [3, 3] \\ [5, -1] \\ [-2, 4] \end{bmatrix} \quad k = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_1 &= \sqrt{3^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{18} \\ d_2 &= \sqrt{5^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{26} \\ d_3 &= \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{20} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{Ans}[1][1] = \begin{bmatrix} [3, 3] \\ [-2, 4] \end{bmatrix}$$

Brute force → Find distance of all points from origin
 & store it in the array,
 Now, iterate on all those distances &
 get the B smallest points

Arrays.sort (points, new Comparator<>() {

public int compare (int[] A, int[] B)

int dis₁ = A[0]*A[0] + A[1]*A[1]

int dis₂ = B[0]*B[0] + B[1]*B[1]

if (dis₁ < dis₂) return -1;

else if (dis₁ > dis₂) return 1;

else return 0;

Tc: $O(n \log n)$
 Sc: $O(n)$

k = 2

points[1][1] = [[3, 3] [-2, 4] [5, -1]]

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int [] ans = new int [k] [2]
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for (i=0; i<k ; i++) {
    |   ans [i] = points [i]
    |
}
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Allocate Books

Problem Description

Given an array of integers **A** of size **N** and an integer **B**.

The College library has **N** books. The **i**th book has **A[i]** number of pages.

You have to allocate books to **B** number of students so that the **maximum number of pages allocated to a student is minimum**.

A book will be allocated to **exactly one student**.

Each student has to be allocated **at least one book**.

Allotment should be in **contiguous order**, for example: A student cannot be allocated book 1 and book 3, skipping book 2.

Calculate and return that **minimum** possible number.

NOTE: Return **-1** if a valid assignment is not possible.

$A[] = \{12, 34, 67, 90\}$ $B = 2$

$S_1 = 12$	46	113
$S_2 = 191$	157	90
<u>191</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>113</u>

} Ans = 113

$A[] = \{10, 20, 5, 15, 5\}$ $B = 2$

$S_1 = 1 \text{ book} \rightarrow 10$

$S_2 = 4 \text{ book} \rightarrow 45$

Max pages
45

$S_1 = 2 \text{ book} \rightarrow 30$

$S_2 = 3 \text{ book} \rightarrow 25$

30

→ Ans = 30

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 3 \text{ books} \rightarrow 35 \\ S_2 &= 2 \text{ books} \rightarrow 20 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 3 \text{ books} \rightarrow 35 \\ S_2 &= 2 \text{ books} \rightarrow 20 \end{aligned}} \right\} 35$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 4 \text{ books} = 50 \\ S_2 &= 1 \text{ book} = 5 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 4 \text{ books} = 50 \\ S_2 &= 1 \text{ book} = 5 \end{aligned}} \right\} 50$$

7:44 → 7:54 pm

$$A[] = \{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\} \quad B = 2$$

$$\text{Search space} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{lo} \\ 30 \\ \text{max of} \\ \text{array} \end{array} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{hi} \\ 70 \\ \text{sum of} \\ \text{array} \end{array} \right\}$$

feasible to split mid
no. of pages to B student

lo	hi	mid	
30	70	50	$\{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\}$ <u>Ans = 50</u>
30	49	39	$\{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\}$ $stu = 3 > B$ $lo = mid + 1$
40	49	44	$\{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\}$ <u>Ans = 44</u>
40	43	41	$\{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\}$ <u>Ans = 41</u>
40	40	40	$\{10 \quad 10 \quad 20 \quad 30\}$ <u>Ans = 40</u>
40	39	→ <u>stop</u>	

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int minPages ( int ( ) A, int B)
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int lo = Max of Array (A)
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int hi = sum of Array (A)
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int ans = 0
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while (lo ≤ hi)
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mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2 ;
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if ( isfeasible ( A, B, mid))
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    ans = mid;
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    hi = mid - 1
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    }
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else    lo = mid + 1
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return ans;
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boolean isfeasible ( int ( ) A, int B, int mid)
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int stu = 1, sum = 0
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for ( i = 0; i < n; i++)
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    if ( sum + A[i] > mid )
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        stu++;
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        sum = A[i];
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    }
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else    sum += A[i];
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return stu ≤ B;
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K reverse linked list

Problem Description

Given a singly linked list A and an integer B, reverse the nodes of the list B at a time and return the modified linked list.

head
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 $A[] = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

$B = 2$ $2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 7$

$B = 4$ $4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 7$

Node reverseKgroup (Node head, int k)

int cnt = 0

Node curr = head;

while (curr != Null && cnt < k)

cnt++;

curr = curr.next;

TC: $O(N)$

SC: $O(N/k)$

if (count < k) return head;

prev = Null form = Null

curr = head

cnt = 0

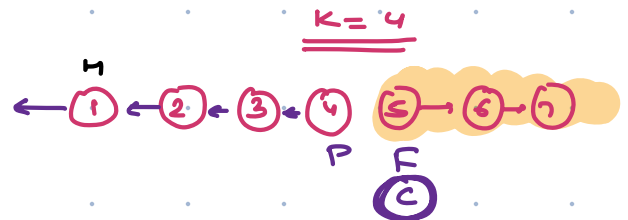
while (cnt < k)

form = curr.next;

curr.next = prev

prev = curr; curr = form;

cnt++;



cnt = 0 < 4

1 < 4

2 < 4

3 < 4

4 < 4 \rightarrow stop

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head.next = reverseKgroup(curr, k);
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return prev;
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}
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Infix to Postfix

Problem Description

Given string **A** denoting an infix expression. Convert the infix expression into a postfix expression.

String **A** consists of \wedge , $/$, $*$, $+$, $-$, $($, $)$ and **lowercase English alphabets** where lowercase English alphabets are operands and \wedge , $/$, $*$, $+$, $-$ are operators.

Find and return the postfix expression of **A**.

NOTE:

\wedge has the highest precedence.

$/$ and $*$ have equal precedence but greater than $+$ and $-$.

$+$ and $-$ have equal precedence and lowest precedence among given operators.

Input 1:

A = "x^y/(a*z)+b"

$x^y / (a * z) + b$

$x^y / az * + b$

$xy^ / az * + b$

$xy^ az * / + b$

$\Rightarrow xy^ az * / b +$

A = "a+b*(c^d-e)^(f+g*h)-i"

$a + b * (c^d - e)^(f + g * h) - i$

$a + b * (cd^e -)^(f + gh *) - i$

$a + b * cd^e - f gh * + ^ - i$

$a + b cd^e - f gh * + ^ * - i$

$a b cd^e - f gh * + ^ * + - i$

$a b cd^e - f gh * + ^ * + i -$

a - z \Rightarrow push it to AL

(\Rightarrow push it to stack

) \Rightarrow resolve expression until opening bracket

+ , * , - , / \Rightarrow 01. If st.empty() or (is pressed on peek \rightarrow st.push();

else \rightarrow

if (lower priority op is on peek)
 \hookrightarrow st.push(curr operator)

else (higher priority op is pressed)
or
equal

\downarrow
resolve expression

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a + b * c - d \Rightarrow

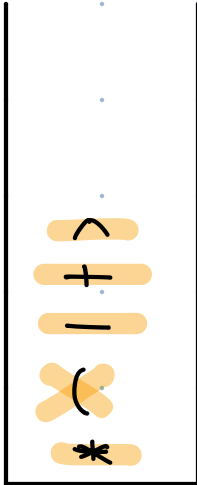
abc * + d -

-

*

+

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 str = a * (b - c + d) ^ k



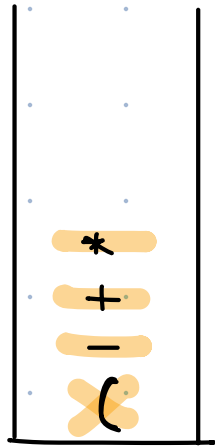
ans = a b c - d + k ^ *

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public int prec(char c) {
    if (c == '^')
        return 3;
    else if (c == '*' || c == '/')
        return 2;
    else if (c == '+' || c == '-')
        return 1;
    else
        return -1;
}
```

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public String infixToPostfix(String s) {
    Stack < Character > st = new Stack < Character > ();
    ArrayList < Character > ns = new ArrayList < Character > ();
    for (int i = 0; i < s.length(); i++) {
        char C = s.charAt(i);

        if ((C >= 'a' && C <= 'z') || (C >= 'A' && C <= 'Z'))
            ns.add(C);
        else if (C == '(')
            st.push('(');
        else if (C == ')') {
            while (st.size() > 0 && st.peek() != '(') {
                char c = st.peek();
                st.pop();
                ns.add(c);
            }
            st.pop(); → remove '('
        }
        else {
            (st.peek() != '(')
            while (st.size() > 0 && prec(C) <= prec(st.peek())) {
                char c = st.peek();
                st.pop();
                ns.add(c);
            }
            st.push(C);
        }
    }
    while (st.size() > 0) {
        char c = st.peek();
        st.pop();
        ns.add(c);
    }
    StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder(ns.size());
    for (Character c: ns) {
        result.append(c);
    }
    return result.toString();
}
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(b - c + d * e)



b c - d e * +