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Pig Latin

You have been asked to translate English words to Pig Latin. The translation is very simple: take all the consonants at the beginning of the word, move them to the end, and add 'ay'. If there are no consonants at the beginning of the word, just add 'ay' to the end. The consonants are all letters except 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u', and 'y'. Note that 'y' is NOT a consonant for our purposes.

Input

A sequence of lines each containing an English word. There are no spaces in any line. Words will contain only lower case letters.

The input ends with an end of file.

Output

For each English word, one line containing nothing but the translation of the word into Pig Latin. Example Input

you
help
me
to
understand
pig
latin
this
hour

Example Output

youay
elphay
emay
otay
understanday
igpay
atinlay
isthay
ourhay

Note: Actual Pig Latin moves only initial consonant SOUNDS, and therefore does not move unsounded initial consonants. Thus 'hour' would become 'houray' in actual Pig Latin. There are also variants which put 'way' or 'yay' or some such at the end of words that begin with a vowel sound.

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File: piglatin.txt

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Turtle Draw

A beaver, a dog, a frog, and a man were sharing a corner of a pond on a sweltering evening in early August. The beaver was considering air conditioning, the frog was imagining a water fall, the dog was happy to just swim after tennis balls, and the man knew he needed to write a computer program.

When he got home the man wrote a program called 'turtle-draw', in honor of the turtle that lived in the pond. She was not with the foursome that particular August evening, which just as well, as a 40 pound snapping turtle is a bit of a pond party pooper.

Input

The input contains a series of commands for an imaginary turtle living on an infinite board of squares. At any time, the turtle is on a particular square, and is facing in one of four directions, up, right, down, or left. In the beginning the turtle is facing up and all squares are blank.

The commands are:

M Move forward one square.
L Turn left 90 degrees.
R Turn right 90 degrees.

forward one square.

The input is a sequence of test cases. Each test case begins with a line that names the test case. This is followed by one or more lines which contain commands for the turtle. No command line contains whitespace characters, and no command line contains just the character '.'. The test case ends with a line containing just '.' (exactly one '.').

In any test case the turtle will not wander more than 100 squares in any direction away from its starting position. No input line will contain more than 80 characters.

Output

For each test case, first one line that is an exact copy of the test case name line, then a single empty line (with no characters), and then just the portion of the infinite board that contains non-blank squares. Specifically, this portion of the board should NOT have any blank lines at its top or bottom, or any blank columns at its left or right edges. At the end of the test case, right after the portion of the board with no blank lines, there should be a single blank line.

Thus the output for each test case should have exactly two blank lines: the second line (after the name and before the board), and the last line (after the board). The entire output for ALL test cases ends with a blank line (if you get a 'format error' score you may have the blank lines wrong).

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Sample Output
_____
--SIGN--
GO
W D
E O
      U
   THEN
--HAT--
--DOG--
\\\\\_/////
     * * * *
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NOTE: This output ends with a single blank line.

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Convoy

The Safe and Speedy Driver Company makes robot drivers. They have been asked to provide drivers for convoys of trucks, but are unsure if their basic traveling algorithm will work. You have been asked to simulate it, so see under what circumstances it will cause crashes.

The simulation is of N trucks traveling from right to left. In the beginning, all trucks are separated by exactly LO feet and are traveling a velocity VO ft/s. The simulation lasts for some number of seconds.

Each driver decides at the beginning of each second whether to accelerate during the second, decelerate (brake) during the second, or maintain velocity during the second. All acceleration is by A0 ft/s/s. All deceleration is by -A0 ft/s/s unless the current truck velocity V ft/s is less than A0, in which case the deceleration is by -V ft/s/s so the truck velocity will be 0 at the end of the second. Maintaining velocity, of course, involves an acceleration of 0 ft/s/s during the second.

During each second, the acceleration in ft/s/s of each truck is constant, the velocity of the truck is a linear function of time, and the distance traveled by the truck is a quadratic function of time.

The algorithm each driver of a non-lead truck follows to determine the truck's acceleration at the beginning of a second depends upon parameters dV, dL, A0, and L0, and is as follows:

if the truck is approaching the truck it is following at a relative velocity of at least dV ft/s, then decelerate

else if the truck is receding from the truck it is following at a relative velocity of at least dV ft/s, then accelerate

else if the truck is at least LO+dL ft from the truck it is following, accelerate

else if the truck is at at most LO-dL ft from the truck it is following, decelerate

else maintain speed

The lead truck receives instructions that tell its driver what to do for each second.

Input

For each of several test cases,

One line containing just the test case name.

One line containing the numbers

N LO dL VO dV AO

One line containing the instructions for the lead driver.

The instructions are a sequence of +, 0, and - characters, one character per second. Each is interpreted as an instruction for the lead driver to

- + accelerate
- 0 maintain speed
- decelerate

for one second. The leftmost character is for the first second, the rightmost for the last second, and the number of instruction characters is the number of seconds in the simulation. There are no spaces in the instructions line.

Simulations are limited to at most 100 seconds and at most 11 trucks. Input ends with an end of file.

Output

For each case

One line containing an exact copy of the test case name line.

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Lines containing the distances between the non-lead trucks and the truck they are following. Each line contains N-1 distances, each in exactly 8 columns with exactly 3 decimal places. Each distance is the distance between a truck and the truck it is following. The distances are for the trucks from left to right: the first is for the truck after the lead truck.

One line with the initial distances is printed, followed by one line for each second of simulation with the distances at the end of the second.

If any output line has a negative distance, the simulation terminates, and a next line containing just 'CRASH' is output.

Sample Input

-- SAMPLE 1 -- 3 88 11 44 11 44

-- SAMPLE 2 --

3 88 11 44 11 44 +++++0000-----

-- SAMPLE 3 --

5 88 11 44 11 44

+----

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Sample Output
_____
-- SAMPLE 1 --
 88.000 88.000
 66.000 88.000
 44.000 66.000
 44.000 44.000
 44.000 44.000
 44.000 44.000
-- SAMPLE 2 --
 88.000 88.000
110.000 88.000
154.000 110.000
198.000 154.000
242.000 198.000
286.000 242.000
308.000 286.000
286.000 330.000
264.000 330.000
242.000 330.000
198.000 330.000
154.000 286.000
110.000 242.000
 66.000 198.000
 22.000 154.000
-22.000 110.000
CRASH
-- SAMPLE 3 --
 88.000 88.000 88.000 88.000
110.000 88.000 88.000 88.000
110.000 110.000 88.000 88.000
 66.000 110.000 110.000 88.000
 44.000 66.000 110.000 110.000
 44.000 44.000 66.000 110.000
 44.000 44.000 44.000 66.000
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Postscript

Driving safety experts recommend drivers maintain a at least 3 seconds separation between themselves and the car in front of them in good weather.

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Mini-Blowfish
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The Blowfish algorithm has become a popular encryption algorithm for data streams and large files, as it can be efficiently implemented in software. In this problem you are asked to code and test a miniature version of this algorithm, which we call Mini-Blowfish, or MB for short.

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Description of MB:
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MB uses an 18+256 byte vector of 'subkeys'. The first 18 of these are referred to as P[1] through P[18]. The next 256 are referred to as S[0] through S[255]. The 18+256 subkeys are collectively referred to as K[1] through K[18+256], so K[1] == P[1], K[18] == P[18], K[19] == S[0], K[18+256] == S[255].

The S values define a 'substitution-box', or S-box, that takes a byte B as input and returns the byte S[B] as output, where bytes are viewed as unsigned integers from 0 through 255. E.g., if B == 5 the S-box returns S[5].

The data encryption algorithm inputs and outputs 16 bit blocks. These are divided into a high order byte, HB, and a low order byte LB, so block B == 256 * HB + LB.

The encryption algorithm is:

```
Input B = 256 * HB + LB.
For round R = 1 though 16:
    HB = HB xor P[R].
    LB = LB xor S[HB].
    swap HB and LB.
Finishing:
    swap HB and LB (undo the round 16 swap).
    LB = LB xor P[17];
    HB = HB xor P[18];
Output B = 256 * HB + LB.
```

Note that P[1], ..., P[18] are accessed in order by the encryption algorithm. Decryption uses the same algorithm except that P[1], ..., P[18] are used in the reverse order (P[18] is used in round 1 and P[1] is xor'ed at the end into HB).

The main idea in Blowfish is the method of computing the subkeys. In fact, the idea is to have a lot of subkeys (full Blowfish as 1042 32-bit subkeys). Computing the subkeys takes a long time, so changing the key in MB or Blowfish is slow, and has been made so in order to have a secure algorithm in which encrypting the data given the subkeys is fast.

To initialize the subkey vector K[1], ..., K[18+256] you need as input a password, which is any string of characters. Let the bytes of the password be W[1], W[2], ..., W[N] where N is the length of the password. The MB subkey computation algorithm is then:

```
Input W[1], ..., W[N].
For i from 1 through 18+256:
    K[i] = 7 ** i mod 256;
For i from 1 through N:
    K[i] = K[i] xor W[i];
Set B = 0, a 16 bit value.
For round Q from 1 through (18 + 256)/2:
    Encrypt B to obtain Encrypted-B
    Set B = Encrypted-B
    Let B = 256 * HB + LB as above.
    Set K[2*Q-1] = HB and K[2*Q] = LB.
Output K[1], ..., K[18+256].
```

Note that the output B of the encryption in round Q becomes the input B to the encryption in round Q+1. Also the subkeys at the end of round Q are the subkeys used in the encryption in round Q+1. Thus B and the subkeys keep changing as Q advances. The subkeys at the end of round Q = (18+256)/2 are the final output of the subkey computation algorithm.

Input

Lines each of which contains a password and some integers to be encrypted using the password, all followed by the integer -1 (which is NOT to be encrypted). These are separated from each other by whitespace. No line is longer than 80 characters.

The password is a string of one or more letters and digits, each interpreted as a byte equal to the ASCII code of the letter or digit (ASCII codes are the codes used to represent characters as integers in modern computers, and all ASCII codes are between 0 and 127). The integers to be encrypted are all in the range from 0 through 65535 (= 2**16 - 1), and each integer represents a 16 bit block.

Input ends with an end of file.

Output

For each input line, one output line, in the same format as the input line, except that each integer to be encrypted is replaced by the result of encrypting it.

Sample Input

abcdefg 0 1 2 3 4 5 -1 2hotfudge 28647 64826 42873 60872 53872 7648 29640 -1

Sample Output

abcdefg 61669 41297 34644 22212 18368 679 -1 2hotfudge 37515 44577 40580 64732 42141 33306 62416 -1 Further Information

Blowfish was invented by Bruce Schneier, and is described at

www.schneier.com/paper-blowfish-fse.html

Blowfish is one of a large number of 'Feistel ciphers'. The full algorithm uses 32 bit subkeys, 64 bit blocks, and 4 S-boxes that are applied to the 4 bytes of a 32-bit half-block to get 4 32-bit half-blocks that are combined using addition and exclusive-or to make one 32-bit half-block. The subkeys are initially set to the fractional digits of PI, which are assumed to be random. Short passwords are extended by cycling through their bytes. However, like MB full Blowfish also has 16 rounds, 18 P values, and the same control flow as MB.

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Simple FSM
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Your company wants to implement a very simple Finite State Machine (FSM) to recognize certain patterns in an input bit stream. For example, they want to know when the last 7 bits are '1111110'. This bit sequence is used in a 'flag' that separates data blocks, where the data has been modified so that the flag bit sequence can never occur within a data block.

You have been asked to write a basic FSM simulator. Input is a string of bits. States are labeled with upper case letters or the special characters `\$' and `*'

A simple example FSM description is:

\$ \$ A

A * A

* \$ A

which describes an FSM that is in state \ast when the last 2 bits read are `10'.

The 3 lines of this FSM description say:

when in state \$, on reading a 0 go to state \$, but on reading a 1 go to state A

when in state A, on reading a 0 go to state *, but on reading a 1 go to state A

when in state *, on reading a 0 go to state \$, but on reading a 1 go to state A

For each state you are given two successor states, one to go to if the next bit input is '0', and one to go to if the next bit input is '1'. The FSM starts in state '\$', and stops when there are no more bits to read.

If the FSM does what it is supposed to, it will be in state '*' if and only if the last several bits read are the pattern sought.

To see how this FSM executes when inputting the binary string '010011001110011110', write the sequence of states that the machine is in so that each state is underneath the next bit to be read:

```
0100110011100111100
$$A*$AA*$AAA*$
```

This means that the FSM:

```
starts in state '$'
goes to state '$' upon reading the first '0'
goes to state 'A' upon reading the first '1'
goes to state '*' upon reading the second '0'
goes to state '$' upon reading the third '0'
.....
goes to state 'A' upon reading the last '1'
goes to state '*' upon reading the next to last '0'
goes to state '$' upon reading the last '0'
stops when there is no binary digit left to read
```

Similarly the FSM:

\$ \$ A

А\$В

B \$ C

C * C

* \$ A

which is intended to recognize the pattern '1110' executes as follows on the same input string:

```
0100110011100111100
$$A$$AB$$ABC*$ABCC*$
```

Input

For each of several test cases, the following in order:

a line containing just the test case name
lines containing the FSM description
a line containing just `.'
one or more input lines each containing
 a binary string
a line containing just `.'

No line is longer than 80 characters.

Input ends with an end of file.

An FSM description consists of 'state description lines' each of the form:

s z n

which says:

when in state s, on reading a 0 go to state z, but on reading a 1 go to state n

There are 28 FSM states (\$, A, B, ..., X, Y, Z, *), but unused states have no state description line.

Each binary string contains just '0's and '1's and is processed independently of the other binary strings.

Output

For each test case, first an exact copy of the test case name line, and then for each binary string input line two lines:

- (1) an exact copy of the binary string input line
- (2) the state sequence of the FSM execution for the input binary string, as described above; here the state that the FSM is in just before reading a binary digit is placed directly under the binary digit

Note there is no whitespace in either of these two lines.

```
Sample Input
-----
-- RECOGNIZE '10' --
$ $ A
A * A
* $ A
0000
1111
0100
010010100
0100110011100111100
-- RECOGNIZE '1110' --
$ $ A
A $ B
B $ C
C * C
* $ A
1111
1100
1110
1011
101010
010010100
0100110011100111100
0101101110111100
```

```
Sample Output
_____
-- RECOGNIZE '10' --
0000
$$$$$
1111
$AAAA
0100
$$A*$
010010100
$$A*$A*A*$
0100110011100111100
$$A*$AA*$AAA*$
-- RECOGNIZE '1110' --
1111
$ABCC
1100
$AB$$
1110
$ABC*
1011
$A$AB
101010
$A$A$A$
010010100
$$A$$A$A$$
0100110011100111100
$$A$$AB$$ABC*$ABCC*$
0101101110111100
$$A$AB$ABC*ABCC*$
```

Extra Notes (not relevant to solving problem):

The synchronous High Level Data Link Control (HDLC) protocol for communications via synchronized bit streams uses '01111110' as a 'flag'. Successive flags are used to synchronize clocks and bracket data blocks, which are altered so they cannot contain flags. This is done simply by inserting a 0 bit whenever 5 successive 1 bits have occurred in the data, and removing the 0 bit when '111110' is received in data. The flag contains 6 successive 1's; 7 successive 1's is considered to be a transmission error.

All FSM's have the same structure except for input/output. As an example of a slightly more complicated input/output structure, let the FSM output a character when making a transition from one state to another. So the description line 's z n' becomes 's z/Z n/N' where Z and N are characters output when the next state becomes z or n, and the output is optional, so the '/Z' and '/N' are optional. Using this you can describe an FSM that will insert or remove the 0 bit in HDLC data.

A more substantial modification replaces the input string with a tape that can move backward or forward one position, so instead of outputting a character the machine writes a new digit at the current position and then moves the tape either backward or forward one position. If we also replace the set {0,1} of two digits by an arbitrary finite set of 'symbols', we have what is called a 'Turing Machine'.

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Pseudo-Random Computation of PI

One of the classic demonstrations of probability is the following. The professor draws a large square on the blackboard, and draws its inscribed circle. Then standing with her back to the board, she throws pieces of chalk at the square. After this she counts the number M of hits in the circle and the number N \geq M of hits in the square (including those in the circle), and demonstrates that M/N is about PI/4. This is because PI/4 is the area of the inscribed circle divided by the area of the square, and the probability of hitting any small part of the square is roughly identical to hitting any other small part of the square.

You have been asked to simulate the demonstration in the computer. The square is to be simulated by the unit square in the XY-plane, [0,1]x[0,1], which has (0,0) as its lower left corner and (1,1) as its upper right corner. To simulate throwing the chalk, two random integers X and Y are 'drawn uniformly' (see below for details) from the range 0...S-1, where S>0 is some integer. Then the coordinates where the chalk strikes are set at ((X+0.5)/S, (Y+0.5)/S). These are inside the square, so all our 'throws' count toward N. They are inside the circle, and count toward M, if and only if the chalk strikes at a distance of 0.5 or less from the center of the circle, (0.5, 0.5).

Thus if S = 100 and the first two random integers drawn are 37 and 69, the chalk point is (0.375, 0.695) which is distance 0.23 from (0.5, 0.5), and is therefore in the circle and counts toward both M and N.

Drawing Random Numbers

You are asked to draw pseudo-random numbers according to the equation:

RANDOM = (RANDOM * MULTIPLIER) mod MODULUS

where RANDOM is the value of the pseudo-random number, the equation steps from the the last pseudo-random number to the next pseudo-random number, and MULTIPLIER and MODULUS are fixed values that determine the pseudo-random number sequence.

To get started, RANDOM is initialized to a value called SEED. The first pseudo-random number in the sequence is not SEED, but the first number after SEED in the sequence.

If MULTIPLIER and MODULUS have good values for this purpose, the resulting sequence of numbers appears when tested to be truly random and uniformly distributed in the range from 1 through MODULUS - 1. Uniformly distributed means all values in this range are equally probable. The choices

MULTIPLIER = 7**5 = 16807 MODULUS = 2**31 - 1 = 2147483647

are very good for this purpose.

For example, if MULTIPLIER and MODULUS are as just given, and the SEED is 374332679, then the first two random numbers are 1429733890 and 1342962947.

A remaining difficulty is how to convert uniformly distributed integers from 1 through MODULUS - 1 to uniformly distributed integers from 0 through S-1. An easy solution, which we will adopt, is to set

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S = MODULUS - 1
```

and subtract 1 from each value of RANDOM. Thus 'a chalk throw' is simulated by executing

```
RANDOM = ( MULTIPLIER * RANDOM ) mod MODULUS
X = RANDOM - 1
X = (X + 0.5 ) / S
RANDOM = ( MULTIPLIER * RANDOM ) mod MODULUS
Y = RANDOM - 1
Y = (Y + 0.5 ) / S
```

to yield (X,Y) in the unit square.

Implementation of the above algorithm requires integers longer than 32 bits. In C or C++ you can use doubles and the fmod function. Or you can use 'long long's and the % operator. In JAVA you can use 'long's and the % operator. Remember, 'long's are only 32 bits in C and C++, but are 64 bits in JAVA. 'long long's are 64 bits in C and C++.

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Input
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For each of several test cases, one line containing four numbers in the order:

N MULTIPLIER MODULUS SEED

The numbers may be separated by spaces or tabs. All input numbers are positive integers below 2**31 (but some products computed by intermediate computations will be larger).

Input ends with an end of file.

The simulation is to be done with RANDOM initialized to SEED (SEED is NOT the first pseudo-random number) and S = MODULUS - 1.

Output

For each test case one line containing five numbers in the order:

N MULTIPLIER MODULUS SEED PI_ESTIMATE

where the first four numbers are copied from the input, and PI_ESTIMATE equals 4*M/N expressed as a decimal number with exactly 5 decimal places.

Example Input

100	16807	2147483647	374332679
1000	16807	2147483647	374332679
10000	16807	2147483647	374332679
100000	16807	2147483647	374332679
1000000	16807	2147483647	374332679

Example Output

100 16807 2147483647 374332679 3.20000 1000 16807 2147483647 374332679 3.13600 10000 16807 2147483647 374332679 3.15960 100000 16807 2147483647 374332679 3.13888 1000000 16807 2147483647 374332679 3.14167 pseudopi.txt 02/22/16 04:50:18 3 of 3

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Changing Point of View

TeffalHead FatBody has stayed out too late on the planet BadTrash and is in danger of being consumed by a Larger BageGarLectorCol. To get to safety TeffalHead must get to base A or base B or the ZoomTube that connects them. He knows his own position, C, and the ZoomTube is a perfectly straight line between A and B (woe betide a zoomer in a curved ZoomTube). TeffalHead needs to know immediately which he is closest to, A, B, or some point on the ZoomTube between A and B.

TeffalHead knows the xy-coordinates of points A, B, and C. Like any good robotminded soul, he expects to translate and rotate the xy-coordinate system to make a new x'y'-coordinate system in which A has x'y'-coordinates (0,0) and B has x'y'-coordinates (L,0), where L is the distance from A to B. Then the answer can be easily read from the x' coordinate of C.

Unfortunately, living up to his first name, which means 'forgetful in emergencies', TeffalHead has forgotten the program that finds the x'y'-coordinate system. He as put out a call for help, and as the only emergency proggrammer within range, you must send him a program tout de suite.

Note you are permitted to translate and rotate the xy-coordinates, but NOT to reflect across a coordinate axis. Unnecessary reflections are a terrible breech of robot etiquette. Thus the y' coordinate of C is unambiguous.

Input

For each of several cases, one line, containing

Ax Ay Bx By Cx Cy

where the xy-coordinates of points A, B, and C are respectively (Ax,Ay), (Bx,By), and (Cx,Cy). Input ends with an end of file.

Output

For each case one line containing:

(Cx',Cy') L ANS

where (Cx',Cy') are the x'y'-coordinates of C, L is the length of AB, and ANS is one of the following:

A If TeffalHead is closest to A.

B If TeffalHead is closest to B.

ZoomTube If TeffalHead is closest to a point on the ZoomTube between

A and B.

The x'y'-coordinates and L must be accurate to plus or minus 0.001.

Sample Input

----- ----

 $0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0.5 \ -6$

5.0 3.0 5.5 2.5 5.0 4.0

5.0 3.0 5.5 2.5 5.0 1.0

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Sample Output
----(0.500,-6.000) 1.000 ZoomTube
(-0.707,0.707) 0.707 A
(1.414,-1.414) 0.707 B

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