

## 1 The problem

This is a problem 145 from Project Euler.

## 2 Definitions

```
import Data.Char (digitToInt)
```

Let's just start with brute-force solution and optimize it until we don't get good enough performance:

```
max_n = 10000000000

isReversible :: Int → Bool
isReversible n = last (show n) ≠ '0' ∧ all odd ds
  where ds = digits (n + revr n)

main :: IO ()
main = let rvs = filter isReversible [1..max_n]
  in do print $ length rvs
```

With  $max\_n = 1000000$  it takes 25s to run, so I assume it will run for  $25 \cdot 1000 = 25000seconds \approx 7hours$  with  $max\_n = 10000000000$ .

## 3 Optimizations

Profiling shows that *digits* is a bit more costly than *revr*. Let's optimize it a little bit:

```
digits :: Int → [Int]
digits n = map digitToInt $ show n
```

Now 1000000 n's are tested for 8 seconds, that's 3 times better.

The most time-consuming function now is *revr*. I have no idea how to optimize it. We can try to get rid of it later. But now let's try to avoid calling it at all:

```
isReversible' :: Int → Bool
isReversible' n = ¬ leading_zeros ∧ diff_mod ∧ one_if_overflow ∧ all_odd
  where leading_zeros = last_digit ≡ 0
        all_odd = all odd ds
        ds = digits (n + revr n)
        revr n = read rsh
        sh = show n
```

```

rsh = reverse sh
last_digit = n `mod` 10
first_digit = n `div` powerOfTen
powerOfTen = (head $ filter (>n) powersOfTen) `div` 10
diff_mod = first_digit `mod` 2 /= last_digit `mod` 2
one_if_overflow = (last_digit + first_digit < 10) ∨ (last_digit `mod` 2 ≡ 1)

```

```

powersOfTen = map (10↑) [1..]

```

After adding a *diff\_mod* check: 5 seconds.

After adding a check about *one\_if\_overflow*: 3 seconds.

It will consume like 12 minutes if I parallelize it on my four cores. Let's try another approach to reversing, and test it as we go:

```

reverse_and_test :: Int → Bool
reverse_and_test n = nm10 /= 0 ∧ odd (digitToInt (head sn) + nm10) ∧ every_odd sn rd 0
  where rd = reverse sn
        sn = show n
        nm10 = n `mod` 10
        every_odd (s : sn) (r : rd) ost = odd su ∧ every_odd sn rd ost'
          where su = digitToInt s + digitToInt r + ost
                ost' = su `div` 10
        every_odd [] _ _ = True

```

```

isReversible = reverse_and_test

```

Oh, that is \*really\* better: 0.5 seconds for 1 million n's. But it's going to take 10 minutes for 1 billion, let's optimize further.

Actually I didn't optimize it further, ah, whatever.