

Training Contest 4 Editorial

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Let $f_i(z_1, z_2)$ be the minimum number of moves the i -th bee needs to make in order to achieve the point $(2 \cdot z_1 + a, 2 \cdot z_2 + b)$; if the i -th bee is unable to reach this point, value of $f_i(z_1, z_2)$ is undefined.

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Using the above fact, we try all possibilities for c_1, v_1, v_2 and v_3 (no more than $9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7/2 = 252$); for each variant, we should solve the equation $c_2 \cdot v_2 + c_3 \cdot v_3 = v, v := (x, y) - c_1 \cdot v_1$.

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For each way to select c_1, v_1, v_2 and v_3 we can find the answer (if exist) in $O(1)$ time; thus, we can compute f_i in $O(1)$ and solve the problem in $O(n \log^2 C)$ time.

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The answer is maximum number of equal pairs (a_i, b_i) in list of pairs $(a_1, b_1), \dots, (a_n, b_n)$. There are many ways to compute this in $O(n \log n)$ or $O(n)$ time. For example, `std::map<pair<int, int>, int>` can be used in C++.

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Proof: assume the contrary. Consider the subgraph (V, E) induced by all vertices reachable from v (we add an edge in the subgraph if both its endpoints are reachable). Each vertex in the subgraph has outdegree ≥ 3 , hence we have $|E| \geq 3|V|$, in violation of the former proposition.

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This is basically finding maximal flow with Dinic’s algorithm. Since all edges have unit capacities, the complexity is $O(n\sqrt{n})$, since $m = O(n)$.

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You are given a closed non-self-intersecting polyline such that each its segments is parallel to Ox or Oy . Compute the sum of all integers written in cells inside the polyline modulo $10^9 + 7$, if the cell (p, q) has number $p! \cdot q! \bmod 10^9 + 7$.

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After this step, we can calculate $g(z)$ for any argument $z < m$ in $O(C)$ time; so, our solution contains two constant array with no more than m/C numbers and works in $O(n \cdot C)$.

F. Fill The Boxes

In the computer game “Letters” at the bottom of the screen there are n initially empty boxes. On the top of the screen independently and consequently appear characters, each of them is randomly chosen from the set $\{A,B,C,D\}$ with respect to some distribution.

As soon as next letter appears, player should place it in one of empty boxes. The game ends when all boxes are filled. Player wins if the letters are arranged lexicographically in non-descending order.

Given the probability for each of letter to appear, calculate the probability for the player to win while playing optimally.

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Thus, at any moment of time each letter occupies some consecutive set of boxes.

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Filling the boxes using the rules above we claim that at every moment of type the game is in one of the following states:

- ① Neither ' \hat{B} ', nor ' \hat{C} ' has appeared and all free boxes form a segment of some length l (like "AAA ... DD", "... D]", "...]", "AAA" etc);
- ② ' \hat{B} ' already appeared at least once, while ' \hat{C} ' did not. Free boxes form two segments of lengths ab (to the left of ' \hat{B} '-segment) and bd (to the right of the ' \hat{B} '-segment)(like "A ... BBB ... DD", "... BBB ...", "ABBB", etc.);
- ③ ' \hat{C} ' appeared, while ' \hat{B} ' did not. Again, all free boxes form two segments of lengths ac (to the left of ' \hat{C} '-segment) and cd (to the right of the ' \hat{C} '-segment); (like "A ... CCC ... DD", "... CCC ...", "CCDDD", etc.)
- ④ Both ' \hat{B} ' and ' \hat{C} ' appeared at least once. Free boxes form three segments of length ab (to the left of ' \hat{B} '-segment), bc

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For every possible state of the game we would like to compute the probabilities of winning in case the game is already in this state. For each of the four types listed above we would like to maintain a separate array: $d1[l]$, $d2[ab][bd]$, $d3[ac][cd]$, $d4[ab][bc][cd]$. This dynamic programming values can recomputed through each other. For example, consider $d4[ab][bc][cd]$:

- With probability p_1 , ' \hat{A} ' appears, and ab will be decreased by one.
- With probability p_2 , ' \hat{B} ' appears, and we are choosing ab or bc to be decreased by one.
- With probability p_3 , ' \hat{C} ' appears, and we are choosing bc or cd to be decreased by one.
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The answer is $d1[n]$; complexity of this solution is $O(n^3)$.

G. Grid With Honey

Given set of hexagonal cells; some of these cells contain honey, and others do not. At the end of the day cell contains honey if and only if the number of neighbouring cells that contained honey at the end of the previous day was odd. The task is to find the placement of honey in honeycomb at the end of day k .

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Enumerate all cells from 1 to $n \cdot m$. Let $v_k = (v_{k_1}, v_{k_2}, \dots, v_{k_{nm}})$ be a binary vector such that $v_{k_j} = 1$ if on the k -th day, j -th cell contains honey.

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Then, for any non-negative integer l : $v_{l+1} = v_l \cdot A \bmod 2$, so $v_k = v_0 \cdot A^k$ and can be calculated in $O(n^3 \cdot \log k)$ using binary exponentiation.

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With a single depth-first search run we can find all cycles in the cactus; any cycle will be formed by some path in DFS-tree and one back edge (edge not used in DFS-tree). Write these cycles in vector *cycles* (in fact, vector of vectors), and for each vertex keep track on the index of cycles this vertex lies in (and its position in the cycle).

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Next slide contains main part of author's implementation of code.

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    for (int i = 0; i < (int)b.size(); ++i)
        a[i + d] = add(a[i + d], b[i]);
}

map<pair<int, int>, vector<int>> memo;

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    if (memo.count({x, dad})) return memo[{x, dad}];

    memo[{x, dad}] = {0, 1};
    auto& ans = memo[{x, dad}];

    for (auto p: c[x]) {
        int i = p.first;
        int pos = p.second;
        int c_len = cycles[i].size();
        if (i == dad) continue;

        for (int j = 0; j < c_len; ++j) {
            int d = (j - pos + c_len) % c_len;
            int y = cycles[i][j];
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            update(ans, solve(y, i), d);
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$$S1 = \{(x, y) \in R | (x \geq y)\} \text{ and } S2 = \{(x, y) \in R | (x < y)\}.$$

It's obvious that for each ladder, sum of the value of our ladder is the sum of values of arithmetic progressions with step 1, whose lengths are an arithmetic progression with step 1 or -1, and sequence of the first values is such that differences between neighbouring values form an arithmetic progression with step 4 or -4.

It can be proved that the sum of each such "ladder" is a polynomial function of r_2 and e_2 , and degree of the polynom is no more than 4. This polynomial can be found as explicit formula or interpolated using some number of first elements of the "ladder".

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In each of subproblem, the rectangle can be splitted into some number of similar sequences of arithmetic progressions in a similar way, and answer can be obtained.

The complexity of the solution is $O(1)$; to avoid a problem with dividing by non-prime modulo, it's recommended to use `__int128` in C++ and `BigInteger` in Java.

J. Join Them With Or

Given a sequence $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ of 31-bit non-negative integers; for every integer k between 1 and n find x_k equal to maximum possible bitwise OR of k consecutive elements of A .

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K. Key Validation

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L. Letter Manipulations

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Then, a minimal number we want to know is

$$r - l + 1 - \sum_{\text{rem}=0}^{\text{diff}-1} \text{numMax}[\text{rem}];$$

let's contain and support it in variable *symbolsToReplace*.

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