

# 08

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## 1 Day 8: Handheld Halting

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- <https://adventofcode.com/2020/day/8>

### 1.1 Setup

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[3]: import pandas as pd
import re

from IPython.display import display, Latex

[2]: with open("inputs/08-input.txt") as f:
    raw = f.read().splitlines()

[3]: # separate and convert operations to numbers
instructions = [item.split(" ") for item in raw]
instructions = [[item[0], int(item[1])] for item in instructions]

[4]: instructions[:5]

[4]: [['acc', -5], ['nop', 333], ['acc', 45], ['jmp', 288], ['acc', -9]]

[4]: display(Latex(r"\newpage"))
```

## 1.2 Part 1

[5]: *# run infinite loop, stop when double back to visited instruction*

```
def run_the_loop(instructions):  
    line = 0  
    accumulator = 0  
    visited = []  
  
    # loop through instructions  
    while line not in visited:  
  
        # define values  
        operation = instructions[line][0]  
        argument = instructions[line][1]  
  
        # mark this line as visited  
        visited.append(line)  
  
        # if at end, break (part 2)  
        if line == len(instructions) - 1:  
            break  
  
        # respond to new instructions  
  
        if operation == 'acc':  
            accumulator += argument  
            line += 1  
  
        if operation == 'jmp':  
            line += argument  
  
        if operation == 'nop':  
            line += 1  
  
    return {"last_line": line,  
            "accumulator": accumulator}
```

[6]: run\_the\_loop(instructions)

[6]: {'last\_line': 439, 'accumulator': 1709}

[5]: display(Latex(r"\newpage"))

### 1.3 Part 2

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[7]: desired_end_index = len(instructions) - 1
[8]: # swap 'nop' and 'jmp', run new instructions
    for ind, item in enumerate(instructions):

        modified = instructions.copy()
        operation = item[0]
        argument = item[1]

        if operation != 'acc':

            if operation == 'jmp':
                modified[ind] = ['nop', argument]
            elif operation == 'nop':
                modified[ind] = ['jmp', argument]

        # run on new instructions
        results = run_the_loop(modified)

        # if the loop ends at the last line, print it out
        if results['last_line'] == desired_end_index:
            print(results)
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{'last_line': 616, 'accumulator': 1976}
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