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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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[1]: import pandas as pd
import re
[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]]
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1.2 Part 1

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[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]
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# 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}
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- [6]: run_the_loop(instructions)
- [6]: {'last_line': 439, 'accumulator': 1709}

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
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if results['last_line'] == desired_end_index:
    print(results)
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{'last_line': 616, 'accumulator': 1976}