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We are given *n* accelerators a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n . The final velocity is

$$((\dots ((a_1+1) a_2+1) \dots +1) a_{n-1}+1) a_n$$

We are asked to calculate the expected final velocity when the order sequence a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n is randomly shuffled.

A. Accelerator

Observation

$$((\dots ((a_1+1) a_2+1) \dots + 1) a_{n-1}+1) a_n$$

 $=a_1a_2a_3\ldots a_n+a_2a_3\ldots a_n+\cdots+a_{n-1}a_n+a_n$

- Assume we pick *k* unordered items *b*₁, *b*₂, ..., *b_k* from the sequence *a*.
- They can form k! suffixes of the shuffled sequence, the left n k items can form (n k)! prefixes.
- So the contribution to the answer is $(b_1b_2...b_k) \times \left(\frac{k! \times (n-k)!}{n!}\right).$
- The sum of the left part $(b_1 b_2 \dots b_k)$ is $[x^k] \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + a_i x)$, which can be computed using divide & conquer and FFT in $O(n \log^2 n)$.

We are given *n* strings T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_n of length *m* and a string *R*. For each *i* $(1 \le i \le |R|)$, we are required to compute the expected length of the final string when it contains any string in *T* as substring if we repeat appending the *i*-th $(1 \le i \le k)$ lowercase letter with with probability p_i to the end of the current string, here the initial string is R[1..i].

B. Boring Problem

- W.L.O.G, we can assume T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_n are pairwise distinct.
- Insert T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_n into Trie T', build the Aho-Corasick Automaton G on T', there will be O(nm) vertices.
- Let's denote g(i, j) as the vertex we will go to when we receive letter j at vertex i in G.
- Let's denote E(x) as the expected number of random steps to reach any leaf from the x-th vertex in G.
 - If vertex x is a leaf in T', E(x) = 0.
 - Otherwise $E(x) = 1 + \sum_{1 \le j \le k} E(g(x, j))p_j$.
- If we pre-compute all the values of E(·), we can find the answer in O(|R|) time by walking on G.
- There is a straightforward approach to compute $E(\cdot)$ using Gauss Elimination in $O(n^3m^3)$, which is unfortunately too slow to pass.

B. Boring Problem

- Consider all the vertices according to their depth in T', from root to the leaves.
- Let's look at a vertex x in T', which is not a leaf.
 - If dep(g(x,j)) > dep(x), g(x,j) must be a child of x in T'.
 - Otherwise dep(g(x,j)) ≤ dep(x), so g(x,j) will be considered before x.

Idea

Assume x has t ($t \ge 1$) children $g(x, c_1), g(x, c_2), \ldots, g(x, c_t)$ in T', we can know $E(g(x, c_1))$ if we know E(x) and all other values of E(g(x, j)) according to

$$E(g(x, c_1)) = \frac{E(x) - 1 - \sum_{j, j \neq c_1} E(g(x, j))p_j}{p_{c_1}}$$

Observation

If we treat $E(g(x, c_2)), E(g(x, c_3)), \ldots, E(g(x, c_t))$ as unknown variables, we can know $E(g(x, c_1))$ because $dep(g(x, j)) \leq dep(x) < dep(g(x, c_1))$, all other vertices are considered before.

- The value of the root *E*(*root*) should also be treated as unknown.
- Equations on leaves (i.e. E(x) = 0) are unused.
- Hence we will get *n* unknowns and *n* equations, run Gauss Elimination in $O(n^3)$, then we can get all the values of $E(\cdot)$.
- Overall time complexity is $O(n^3 + n^2mk + |R|)$.

We are given *n* positive integers w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_n , divide them into two groups such that

$$\min_{1 \leq i < j \leq n, \text{ i and } j \text{ are in the same group}} \{w_i \oplus w_j\}$$

is maximized.

C. Club Assignment

- Build a graph G with n vertices 1, 2, ..., n, the weight of the edge between i and j is $w_i \oplus w_j$.
- Initially the graph contains no edges. Add all edges in non-decreasing order by weight.
- Assume here comes an edge (u, v) with weight $w_u \oplus w_v$:
 - If *u* and *v* are not connected: Link them with this edge, they should be in different groups.
 - If *u* and *v* are connected, and they should be in different groups: Ignore this edge.
 - If *u* and *v* are connected, and they should be in the same groups: Conflict arises, the current assignment is the answer.

Lemma

Find the minimum spanning tree of G, assign adjacent vertices into different groups is optimal.

- The algorithm to find the XOR minimum spanning tree is a well-known recursive approach.
- Divide all numbers into two groups according to their highest digit, solve recursively for these groups, then add the minimal possible edge between the groups.
- Finding the minimal possible edge can be done using 01-Trie.
- Time complexity: $O(n \log^2 w)$.

We are given $\boldsymbol{5}$ artifacts, and we are asked to calculate the expected damage.

- Read the whole statement.
- Parse the input carefully.
- Calculate the expected damage.

There is a mountain

$$(0,0) - (1,h_1) - (2,h_2) - \dots - (n,h_n) - (n+1,0)$$

At each point (i, h_i) , a picture is taken, which covers all the points (x, y) where $i - W \le x \le i + W$ and $h_i - H \le y \le h_i + H$. For k = 1, 2, ..., n, keep exactly k pictures, maximize the total area of the mountain which is covered by at least one picture.

Observation

The picture taken at (i, h_i) can only coincide with those pictures taken at (j, h_j) where $|i - j| \le 2W - 1$.

- Let's denote dp[i][j][S] as the maximum total covered area such that we choose to keep j pictures in the first i points, where S is a (2W-1)-bit binary mask denoting the kept pictures in the previous 2W-1 points.
- The number of states: $O(n^2 2^{2W-1})$.
- The transition can be done in O(1) if we pre-compute the expanded covered area.

Construct a simple undirected graph with n vertices and c components, where the degree of each vertex is d.

- d = 0 or d = 1 are trivial.
- The cases for no solution:
 - c(d+1) > n: Number of vertices is not enough.
 - Both *n* and *d* are odd: The sum of degrees is not even.
- When there is a solution, we can construct c-1 components by assign each as a complete graph with d+1 vertices.

- Now we only need to handle the case c = 1.
- Let k = \[\[\frac{d}{2} \], construct a cycle, link each vertex to the previous k vertices and the next k vertices.
- When *d* is odd, link each vertex to the extra vertex opposite to it on the cycle, because *n* is always even in this case.

There is a sequence A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n with non-negative integers. Initially a token is at position k. Two players take turns moving the token from i to a position j on the right side such that A_j differs from A_i on at most one bit in binary representation. We are required to perform two types of operations:

- Append an integer at the end of the sequence A.
- Predict the winner when the token is at position *k*.

- For each position k, determine the value of f_k : Can the current player win when the token is at k?
- $f_k = OR(NOT f_j)$, where j > k and A_j differs from A_k on at most one bit in binary representation.
- Assume there are two positions i and j, where i < j and A_i = A_j:
 - If $f_j = \text{False}$: By the definition of f_i , we can know $f_i = \text{True}$.
 - If $f_j = \text{True:}$ There exists a position k such that k > j and $f_k = \text{False}$, so k > i and $f_i = \text{True}$.

Lemma

For two positions *i* and *j*, where i < j and $A_i = A_j$, $f_i = \text{True}$ always holds.

- Assume the token is at k:
 - If k is not the rightmost position matches A_k : We can claim $f_k = \text{True}$.
 - Otherwise keep only the rightmost position for each value and run brute-force dynamic programming to find the answer.
- Time complexity: $O(mA \log A)$.

There is an infinity grid and *n* types of spacecrafts d_1, d_2, \ldots, d_n . Assume we are at (x, y), we can choose a type of spacecraft d_i and fly to (x + dx, y + dy) $(dx, dy \ge 0)$ where $0 < dx^2 + dy^2 \le d_i^2$. There are *m* broken points we can't touch. We are required to count the number of ways to reach (1000, 1000) from (0, 0).

- Assume the number of ways to reach (x, y) from (0, 0) is ways(x, y) when there are no broken points.
- Add (1000, 1000) into the set of broken points for convenience.
- Let's denote f_i as the number of ways to reach the *i*-th broken point from (0,0) such that we never visit any other broken point.

•
$$f_i = ways(x_i, y_i) - \sum_{j,j \neq i} f_j \times ways(x_i - x_j, y_i - y_j)$$
, where $x_j \le x_i$ and $y_j \le y_i$.

• If we pre-compute ways(x, y) for all pairs of (x, y)($0 \le x, y \le 1000$), we can find the answer in $O(m^2)$ time. ۲

- Now we are going to pre-compute ways(x, y).
- Ignore all broken points, assume the number of ways to reach (x, y) from (0,0) in a single step is one(x, y).
- Let's denote $G(x, y) = \sum_{i \ge 0} \sum_{j \ge 0} one(i, j) x^i y^j$.

ways
$$(i, j) = [x^{i}y^{j}] \sum_{k \ge 0} G(x, y)^{k} = [x^{i}y^{j}] \frac{1}{1 - G(x, y)}$$

• Here $\frac{1}{1-G(x,y)} \mod x^{1001} \mod y^{1001}$ can be computed using FFT in $O(1000^2 \log 1000)$.

There is a sequence of piles of stones, Bob can pay to remove some piles from the game.

Initially the sequence is empty. We are required to perform three types of operations:

- Append a new pile at the end of the sequence.
- Delete the rightmost pile.
- Find the cheapest way for Bob to cheat such that the first player of the Nim game will lose.

The memory limit is 8MB.

- The first player will lose iff the XOR sum of all numbers is zero.
- We need to find a subset of numbers such that the XOR sum is zero and the total cost is maximized, and remove the left part to cheat.

Observation

The modifications form a rooted tree.

- Construct the rooted tree, we need to find the answer for each vertex.
- Let's denote dp[i][j] as the maximum total cost such that the XOR of chosen numbers is j if we choose numbers among the path from the root to the *i*-th vertex.
- Time & space complexity: O(na), which is unfortunately unable to fit in the 8MB limit.

Idea

Try different DFS orders won't affect the answer.

- Find the heavy light decomposition of the tree.
- For each vertex, DFS its light children first, and finally DFS its heavy child, give its space to its heavy child.
- Now dp[i][j] can be stored in f[cnt][j], *cnt* denoting the number of light edges on the path from the root to the *i*-th vertex.

Lemma

There will be at most $O(\log n)$ light edges on a path, so the space complexity is $O(a \log n)$.

Given a sequence of jewels, each jewel has its color and its value. We are required to perform two types of operations:

- Modify a jewel in the sequence.
- Find the maximum total value of taken jewels if we start at position *s* and move right, skipping at most *k* jewels, such that no two taken jewels share the same color.

J. Jewel Grab

- For the *i*-th jewel, find the first jewel *pre_i* with the same color on the left side of it.
- For each query, let's move right from *s* step by step, assume we are at *j* with color *c_j* and value *v_j*:
 - If $pre_j < s$, it is the first time we meet a jewel in such color, take it.
 - Otherwise pre_j ≥ s, we should compare it with the previous one, greedy keep the one with larger value, and skip one of them.
- The second part takes place at most k times, which is acceptable for $k \le 10$.
- To speed up the first part, we need to find the next position j such that pre_j ≥ s, and find the sum in this range, which can be done by traveling on the segment tree in O(log n).
- Time complexity: $O(k \log n)$ per query.

Given n advertisement posters, we are required to choose some of them such that no two chosen advertisement posters will occupy the same pixel at the same time.

We are also given m extra conditions, each of which requires us to keep at least one of two listed advertisement posters.

- For the *i*-th ad poster, introduce a boolean variable x_i, which is true iff we choose the *i*-th ad poster.
- For two pairs of ad posters (i, j), if they occupy the same pixel at the same time, we have $x_i \wedge x_j = False$.
- For an extra condition (u, v), we have $x_u \lor x_v = \text{True}$.
- We can build a graph with 2n vertices and $O(n^2 + m)$ edges to solve the above 2-SAT problem, which is unfortunately too slow to pass.

- To solve the 2-SAT problem, we need to find the strongly connected components in the corresponding graph.
- We can find SCC using the Kosaraju Algorithm by running two similar DFS procedures on the graph.
- When we are visiting a vertex in DFS, we need to know the adjacent vertices, and we should skip visited vertices in a clever way.

Idea

Use Bitset to find the adjacent vertices and skip visited vertices.

• Time complexity:
$$O(\frac{n^2}{w} + m)$$
.

An integer sequence a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n is generated randomly, and the probability of being $1, 2, \dots, n$ are all $\frac{1}{n}$ for each a_i . We are required to calculate the expected number of permutations p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n from 1 to *n* such that $p_i \leq a_i$ holds for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Observation

No matter what the permutation p is, the number of the corresponding sequence a is always n!.

- There are n! permutations, and n^n possible sequences a.
- So the answer is $\frac{n!n!}{n^n}$.

Thank you!

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