GCPC 2015 Presentation of solutions





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Statistics: 21 submissions, 2 accepted



A - Greece



- Start in Athens (0), visit all sites and return to Athens within a given time
- Taxi ticket as a one-time short cut
- ⇒ Essentially TSP, but you only have to visit P nodes, all other are optional

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Implementation

- Compute shortest paths by *P*-times Dijkstra: $\mathcal{O}(P \cdot N \log N)$
- Run 2^{P} DP solution for TSP P! will be to slow
- Add extra dimension to the DP to account for the taxi ticket
- Compare the two values with $G \sum t_i$

Statistics: 28 submissions, 1 accepted





Problem

Given a DAG with N nodes find the minimum number of vertex-disjoint paths to cover each vertex.



Solution

Construct bipartite graph from DAG. Set O contains all vertices with their outgoing edges, set I contains all vertices with their incoming edges.



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- Number of necessary paths is then N |M|.

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WARING: Precision is a huge issue!



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$$(A_{full} - A_s) = (A_{full} - A_{s=2}) \cdot 2^2 / s^2 \text{ and}$$

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Solution: Backtracking + obvious optimizations

Try filling a 2D-array of booleans representing the room:

- **9** Find the topmost row with free cells and pick the leftmost cell
- If no cell free any more, return "yes"
- So For any carpet in stock & rotation and fitting at the given cell:
 - Put the carpet
 - If recursive call to (1) successful, return "yes"
 - O Put the carpet back to stock
- If all available carpets tried, return "no"

Statistics: 79 submissions, 6 accepted



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- Dijkstra with minor adjustments.
- Keep track of the set of nodes *N* that can be reached via multiple shortest paths.
- Add a node to N if
 - you reach it a second time without updating OR
 - you update it from a node in N.
- Don't forget to remove it from *N* if you update it from a node not in *N*!
- Finally, report whether the target is in N.

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- Do factorization only for prime factors up to $\sqrt[3]{N}$.
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Let $N = \prod_{i=1}^{k} p_i^{n_i}$, then result is $\prod_{i=1}^{k} (n_i + 1)$. Alternative solution:

- \bullet Use pollard ρ algorithm for factorization.
- Beware of overflows.

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Solution 2

• Don't think, just calculate the *extreme property*, i.e. calculate all $x_{i,j}$ and print "no" if any of those is less than 0, otherwise print "yes".

•
$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$
 - fast enough.

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Solution 3

- Copy the input sequence, sort it, compare to original.
- Python:

```
print("yes" if data == sorted(data) else "no")
```

• $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$

Solution 4

- Know your standard library.
- C++:

```
std::cout <<</pre>
```

```
(std::prev_permutation(begin(data), end(data))
```

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? "no" : "yes") << std::endl;
```

• $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n)$

Statistics: 138 submissions, 34 accepted



Problem

For every method in a program all callers are given.

Find the number of unused methods no matter which program is run.



Legacy Code

- Transpose directions in the "used by"-graph to a "using"-graph.
- Explore the resulting graph with help of your favorite algorithm (bfs, dfs) choosing XXX::PROGRAM as starting nodes.
- Count unvisited nodes.



Statistics: 100 submissions, 57 accepted



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- Naive solution is way too slow $(10^4 \cdot 10^4 \cdot 100^2 = 10^{12})$.
- Insight: Milling steps may be combined using a maximum operation.
- \Rightarrow Combine milling steps and apply combined step on every workpiece.
- Reduces complexity to $10^4 \cdot 100^2 = 10^8$.

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ret = roundCorrectly(goldInSilver - price[m])
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Statistics: 260 submissions, 50 accepted



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Common mistakes

- 1 is not prime, 2 is prime (so are 3 and 5)
- replace 6 to 9 and vice versa in parallel!
- square root might be a prime factor
- use 64 bit ints all the way

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