



# Subset of the Shape of Numbers

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## Abstract

This article is based on the concept of Shape of numbers, introduces subset of the Shape and obtains its calculation formula. This article also makes some analysis and draws new conclusions, especially the calculation method of  $1^M + 2^M + 3^M + \dots + N^M$ . The Shape's concept becomes clearer and richness.

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## 1. Introduction

Peng, J. has introduced Shape of numbers in [1] [2]:

$$(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_M), I_i \in N, I_1 < I_2 < \dots < I_M$$

There are  $M-1$  intervals between adjacent numbers.

$I_{i+1} - I_i = 1$  means continuity,  $I_{i+1} - I_i > 1$  means discontinuity.

**Shape of numbers:** collect  $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_M)$  with the same continuity and discontinuity at the same position into a catalog, call it a Shape. A Shape has a min Item:

$(1, K_1, K_2, \dots)$ , Use the symbol  $PS = [\min \text{ Item}]$  to represent it. If  $K_{i+1} - K_i = D > 1$  then only  $I_{i+1} - I_i \geq D$  is allowed.

The single  $(I_1, I_2, \dots, I_M)$  is an item,  $I_1 I_2 \dots I_M$  is the product.  $I_i$  is a factor.

Example:

$$PS = [1, 2] \rightarrow (1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (1000, 1001) \in PS$$

$$PS = [1, 3] \rightarrow (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 4), (1, 5), (2, 5), (3, 5), (1000, 2001) \in PS$$

$$PS = [1, 4] \rightarrow (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 5), (1, 6), (2, 6), (3, 6) \in PS, (3, 5), (4, 6) \notin PS$$

$$PS = [1, 4, 6] \rightarrow (1, 4, 7), (1, 5, 7), (2, 5, 7) \in PS, (3, 5, 7) \notin PS$$

**Define:**

**SET(N, PS)** = set of items belonging to PS in  $[1, N - 1]$

**PM(PS)** = count of factors

**PB(PS)** = count of discontinuities

**MIN(PS)** = min product:  $\text{MIN}([1, 2, 3]) = 1 \times 2 \times 3$ ,  $\text{MIN}([1, 2, 4]) = 1 \times 2 \times 4$

**IDX(PS)** = (max factor) + 1

**PH(PS)** =  $\text{IDX}(PS) - \text{PB}(PS) - 2$

**Basic Shape: intervals = 1 or 2**

**BASE(PS) = BS:** if 1)  $\text{PB}(BS) = \text{PB}(PS)$ , 2)  $\text{PM}(BS) = \text{PM}(PS)$ , 3)  $BS$  is a Basic Shape 4)  $BS$  has discontinuity intervals at the same positions of  $PS$ .

Example:

$$PS = [1, 2] \rightarrow \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, 2]$$

$$PS = [1, 3], [1, 4], [1, K > 2] \rightarrow \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, 3]$$

$$PS = [1, 3, 4], [1, 4, 5], [1, K > 2, X = K + 1] \rightarrow \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, 3, 4]$$

$$PS = [1, 3, 5], [1, 4, 9], [1, K > 2, X > K + 1] \rightarrow \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, 3, 5]$$

**|SET(N, PS)|** = Count of items in **SET(N, PS)**

**SUM(N, PS)** = Sum of all products in **SET(N, PS)**

Example:

$$\text{SUM}(6, [1, 2, 4]) = 1 \times 2 \times 4 + 1 \times 2 \times 5 + 2 \times 3 \times 5$$

$$\text{SUM}(9, [1, 4, 7]) = 1 \times 4 \times 7 + 1 \times 4 \times 8 + 1 \times 5 \times 8 + 2 \times 5 \times 8$$

[1] [2] came to the following conclusion:

$$1.1) |SET(N, PS)| = \binom{N - \text{PH}(PS) - 1}{\text{PB}(PS) + 1}$$

$$1.2) \text{SUM}(N, PS) = \text{MIN}(PS) \binom{N}{\text{IDX}(PS)}, PS \text{ is a Basic Shape}$$

The following uses count of  $X \in K$  for count of

$$\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_M\} \in \{K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M\}$$

$$1.3) PS = [1, K_1, \dots, K_M], BS = \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, G_1, \dots, G_M]$$

Use the form  $(G_1 + K_1)(G_2 + K_2) \cdots (G_M + K_M) = \sum X_1 X_2 \cdots X_M$ ,  $X_i = G_i$  or  $K_i$

The expansion has  $2^M$  items, don't swap the factors of  $X_1 X_2 \cdots X_M$ , then

each  $X_1 X_2 \cdots X_M$  corresponds to one expression =  $A_q \binom{N - \text{PH}(PS)}{\text{IDX}(BS) - q}$ ,  $q =$  count of  $X \in K$

$$\text{SUM}(N, PS) = \sum A_q \binom{N - \text{PH}(PS)}{\text{IDX}(BS) - q}, 2^M \text{ items in total.}$$

$$A_q = \prod_{i=1}^M (X_i + D_i), \quad D_i = \begin{cases} -m : X_i = G_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in K \\ +m : X_i = K_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in G \end{cases}$$

Example:

$$PS = [1, K_1 \geq 3, K_2 \geq K_1 + 2, K_3 \geq K_2 + 2], \quad BS = \text{BASE}(PS) = [1, 3, 5, 7]$$

$$\text{The form} = (3 + K_1)(5 + K_2)(7 + K_3)$$

$$= 3 \times 5 \times 7 + 3 \times 5 \times K_3 + 3 \times K_2 \times 7 + 3 \times K_2 \times K_3 \\ + K_1 \times 5 \times 7 + K_1 \times 5 \times K_3 + K_1 \times K_2 \times 7 + K_1 \times K_2 \times K_3$$

$$P = N - PH(PS) = N - \{IDX(PS) - PB(PS) - 2\} \\ = N - \{K_3 + 1 - 3 - 2\} = N - K_3 + 4$$

$$IDX(BS) = 8$$

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$$SUM(N, PS) = 3 \times 5 \times 7 \binom{P}{8} + 3 \times 5 \times (K_3 + 2) \binom{P}{7} \\ + 3 \times (K_2 + 1) \times (7 - 1) \binom{P}{7} + 3 \times (K_2 + 1) \times (K_3 + 1) \binom{P}{6} \\ + K_1 \times (5 - 1) \times (7 - 1) \binom{P}{7} + K_1 \times (5 - 1) \times (K_3 + 1) \binom{P}{6} \\ + K_1 \times K_2 \times (7 - 2) \binom{P}{6} + K_1 \times K_2 \times K_3 \binom{P}{5}$$

An item  $\in PS = \{\text{begin}, K_1 + E_1, \dots, K_M + E_M\}$ ,  $K$  is fixed,  $E$  is variable.

A product =  $\text{begin} \times (K_1 + E_1) \cdots (K_M + E_M) = \text{begin} \times \sum F_1 F_2 \cdots F_M$ ,  $F_i = E_i$   
or  $F_i = K_i$

That is, a product can be broken down into  $2^M$  parts.

**Define**

$SUM\_K(SET(N, PS), PF = F_1 F_2 \cdots F_M)$  = **Sum of one part of**  $SUM(N, PS)$

**PF indicates the part.**  $PF = F_1 F_2 \cdots F_M$ ,  $F_i = E_i$  or  $F_i = K_i$

Rewrite 1.3) and add {braces}:

$$SUM(N, PS) = \sum \text{product} = \sum \sum \text{begin} \times F_1 \cdots F_M \\ = \sum \prod_{i=1}^M (X_i + D_i) \binom{A}{M_q}$$

$$X_i + D_i = \begin{cases} \{G_i - D_i\} : X_i = G_i, D_i = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in K \\ \{K_i\} + \{D_i\} : X_i = K_i, D_i = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in G \end{cases}$$

Let  $SUM1(N, PS) = SUM(N, PS)$  expand by the {braces}:

**1.4)  $SUM\_K(SET(N, PS), PF)$  =  $\sum$  Expansion of  $SUM1(N, PS)$  with same**

$$\{K_i\} \in PF = \sum \prod_{i=1}^M Y_i \binom{A}{M_q},$$

$$Y_i = \begin{cases} 0 : F_i = K_i, X_i = G_i \\ K_i : F_i = K_i, X_i = K_i \\ G_i - D_i : F_i = E_i, X_i = G_i, D_i = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in K \\ D_i : F_i = E_i, X_i = K_i, D_i = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in G \end{cases}$$

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{SUM}\left(N, [1, K_1 \geq 3, K_2 \geq K_1 + 2]\right), \text{ form } = (3+K_1)(5+K_2) \rightarrow \\ & = 15\binom{N-K_2+3}{6} + 3(\{K_2\} + \{1\})\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \\ & \quad + K_1(\{5-1\})\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} + K_1K_2\binom{N-K_2+3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Expand by the {braces}:

$$\begin{aligned} & = \left\{ 15\binom{N-K_2+3}{6} + 3\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \right\} + 3K_2\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \\ & \quad + 4K_1\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} + K_1K_2\binom{N-K_2+3}{4} \\ & = \sum_{\begin{array}{l} \text{begin}=1 \\ \text{all items} \end{array}}^N \sum \begin{array}{l} \text{begin} \times (K_1 + E_{1,\text{begin}}) \\ (K_2 + E_{2,\text{begin}}) \end{array} \\ & \rightarrow \\ & \text{SUM\_K}\left(\text{SET}(N, PS), E_1E_2\right) \\ & = \sum_{\text{all items}} * E_{1,i}E_{2,i} = 15\binom{N-K_2+3}{6} + 3\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \\ & \text{SUM\_K}\left(\text{SET}(N, PS), E_1K_2\right) = \sum_{\text{all items}} * E_{1,i}K_2 = 3K_2\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \\ & \text{SUM\_K}\left(\text{SET}(N, PS), K_1E_2\right) = \sum_{\text{all items}} * K_1E_{2,i} = 4K_1\binom{N-K_2+3}{5} \\ & \text{SUM\_K}\left(\text{SET}(N, PS), K_1K_2\right) = \sum_{\text{all items}} * K_1K_2 = K_1K_2\binom{N-K_2+3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

This can explain why 1.3) has that strange form:

We can calculate every part of 1.3) by some way without 1.3). There may be complex relationships between the parts, but their sum just match a simple form.

**1.5) Use the symbol of 1.3), when  $G_i = K_i$ ,  $N_1 = \text{Count of } X \in K$ ,**  
 $N_1 + N_2 = M$

$$H(N_1, N_2, K) = \sum A_{q=N_1} = \sum \prod_{i=1}^M (X_i + D_i) = K_1K_2 \cdots K_M \binom{M}{N_1, N_2}$$

**Sum traverses all  $(N_1, N_2)$ -Choice of  $K$**

This  $\rightarrow$  1.3) is compatible with 1.2)

**1.6)  $P$  is a prime number,  $\{PS1, PS2, \dots\}$  are all of the Basic Shapes,**  
 $PM(PS1) = PM(PS2) = \dots$ ,  $PB(PS1) = PB(PS2) = \dots > 0$ ,  
 $IDX(PS1) = IDX(PS2) = \dots = P$ ,

**That is, them are Basic shapes, have same count of factors and same count of discontinuities  $> 0$ , and max factor =  $P - 1$ , then**

$$\text{MIN}(PS1) + \text{MIN}(PS2) + \dots \equiv 0 \pmod{P}$$

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \times 2 \times 4 \times 6 + 1 \times 3 \times 4 \times 6 + 1 \times 3 \times 5 \times 6 \\ & \equiv 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 6 + 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 6 + 1 \times 2 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 + 1 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 \\ & \equiv 0 \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Subset of $SET(N, PS)$

$$PS = [1, K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M], \quad PT = [1, T_1, T_2, \dots, T_M],$$

$$\text{Item} = \{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_M\} \in SET(N, PS)$$

If  $PB(PS) = 0$ , items  $\in SET(N, PS)$  is very simple.

If  $PB(PS) > 0$ , some changes appear in  $SET(N, PS)$ .

We can fix some discontinuities of the Shape to get subsets.

Define  $SET(N, PS, PT) = \text{Subset of } SET(N, PS)$ , a valid

$$PT = [1, T_1, \dots, T_M]$$

$$= \begin{cases} T_{i+1} - T_i = 1 : K_{i+1} - K_i = 1, \text{ means } I_{i+1} - I_i = 1 \\ T_{i+1} - T_i = 1 : K_{i+1} - K_i = D > 1, \text{ means } I_{i+1} - I_i = D \\ T_{i+1} - T_i = 2 : K_{i+1} - K_i = D > 1, \text{ means } I_{i+1} - I_i \geq D \end{cases} \quad (*)$$

others are invalid.

Example:

$$SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 3, 5]) = SET(N, [1, 3, 5])$$

$$SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 4, 5]), \quad SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 3, 6]), \quad SET(N, [1, 2, 9], [1, 3, 4])$$

is invalid.

$$SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 2, 4])$$

$$= \{(1, 3, 5), (1, 3, 6), (2, 4, 6), (1, 3, 7), (2, 4, 7), (3, 5, 7), \dots\}$$

$$I_2 - I_1 = (3 - 1) = 2, \quad I_3 - I_2 \geq (5 - 3) = 2$$

$$SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 3, 4])$$

$$= \{(1, 3, 5), (1, 4, 6), (2, 4, 6), (1, 5, 7), (2, 5, 7), (3, 5, 7), \dots\}$$

$$I_3 - I_2 = (5 - 3) = 2, \quad I_2 - I_1 \geq (3 - 1) = 2$$

$$SET(N, [1, 3, 5], [1, 2, 3]) = \{(1, 3, 5), (2, 4, 6), (3, 5, 7), \dots\}$$

$$SET(N, [1, 4, 8], [1, 2, 4])$$

$$= \{(1, 4, 8), (1, 4, 9), (2, 5, 9), (1, 4, 10), (2, 5, 10), (3, 6, 10), \dots\}$$

$$I_2 - I_1 = (4 - 1) = 3, \quad I_3 - I_2 \geq (8 - 4) = 4$$

$PT$  only has the change at (\*). When a change happens, make the interval fixed.

The more changes, the fewer items:

Define  $PCHG(PS, PT) = \text{count of change from } BASE(PS) \text{ to } PT$

Example:

$$PCHG([1, 3, 5], [1, 2, 4]) = PCHG([1, 4, 7], [1, 2, 4]) = 1, \text{ changed at } T_1$$

$$PCHG([1, 3, 5], [1, 3, 4]) = PCHG([1, 4, 7], [1, 3, 4]) = 1, \text{ changed at } T_2$$

$$PCHG([1, 3, 5], [1, 2, 3]) = PCHG([1, 8, 10], [1, 2, 3]) = 2, \text{ changed at } T_1, T_2$$

$$2.1) \quad SET(N, PS) = SET(N, PS, BASE(PS))$$

$$2.2) \quad |SET(N, PS, PT)| = \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1 - PCHG(PS, PT)}{PB(PT) + 1}$$

If PT1 only change  $T_i$  of PT, Obvious:  $PCHG(PS, PT1) = PCHG(PS, PT) + 1$

### 2.3) If PT1 only change $T_i$ of PT,

$$PT1 = [1, T_1, \dots, T_{i-1}, T_i - 1, T_{i+1} - 1, \dots, T_M - 1].$$

Let  $PS1 = [1, K_1, \dots, K_{i-1}, K_i + 1, K_{i+1} + 1, \dots, K_M + 1]$ , then

$$SET(N, PS, PT) = SET(N, PS, PT1) \cup SET(N, PS1, PT)$$

$$SET(N, PS, PT1) = SET(N, PS, PT) - SET(N, PS1, PT)$$

In particular:  $PCHG(PS, PT) = 1 \rightarrow$

$$SET(N, PS, PT) = SET(N, PS) - SET(N, PS1)$$

[Proof]

PT1 change  $T_i$  of PT  $\rightarrow T_i - T_{i-1} = 2 \rightarrow K_i - K_{i-1} > 1 \rightarrow$

$$PCHG(PS, PT) = PCHG(PS1, PT)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |SET(N, PS, PT1)| + |SET(N, PS1, PT)| \\ &= \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1 - PCHG(PS, PT1)}{PB(PT1) + 1} \\ &\quad + \binom{N - PH(PS1) - 1 - PCHG(PS1, PT)}{PB(PT) + 1} \\ &= \binom{N - PH(PS) - 2 - PCHG(PS, PT)}{PB(PT)} \\ &\quad + \binom{N - PH(PS) - 2 - PCHG(PS1, PT)}{PB(PT) + 1} \\ &= \binom{N - PH(PS) - 2 - PCHG(PS, PT)}{PB(PT)} \\ &\quad + \binom{N - PH(PS) - 2 - PCHG(PS, PT)}{PB(PT) + 1} \\ &= \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1 - PCHG(PS, PT)}{PB(PT) + 1} \\ &= |SET(N, PS, PT)| \end{aligned}$$

Count of the Items is equal.

Every item in  $SET(N, PS1, PT)$  is in  $SET(N, PS, PT)$ , and not in  $SET(N, PS, PT1)$ .

**q.e.d.**

if  $PCHG(PS, PT) = 2$ , PT changes at  $T_i$  and  $T_j$  then

$$PT = [1, G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}, G_i - 1, \dots, G_{j-1} - 1, G_j - 2, G_{j+1} - 2, \dots, G_M - 2]$$

Let

$$PTA = [1, G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}, G_i - 1, \dots, G_M - 1],$$

$$PTB = [1, G_1, \dots, G_{j-1}, G_j - 1, \dots, G_M - 1]$$

$$PSA = [1, K_1, \dots, K_{i-1}, K_i + 1, \dots, K_M + 1],$$

$$\begin{aligned}
PSB &= [1, K_1, \dots, K_{j-1}, K_j + 1, \dots, K_M + 1] \\
PS2 &= [1, K_1, \dots, K_{i-1}, K_i + 1, \dots, K_{j-1} + 1, K_j + 2, K_{j+1} + 2, \dots, K_M + 2] \\
&\rightarrow \\
SET(N, PS, PT) &= SET(N, PS, PTA) - SET(N, PSA, PTA) \\
&= \{SET(N, PS, BS) - SET(N, PSB, BS)\} \\
&\quad - \{SET(N, PSA, BS) - SET(N, PS2, BS)\} \\
&= SET(N, PS, BS) - [SET(N, PSA, BS) \cup SET(N, PSB, BS)] \\
&\quad + SET(N, PS2, BS) \\
&= SET(N, PS) - [SET(N, PSA) \cup SET(N, PSB)] + SET(N, PS2)
\end{aligned}$$

General:

**2.4) The relationship between  $SET(N, PS, PT)$  and  $SET(N, PSX)$  is similar to the Inclusion Exclusion Principle.**

### 3. Calculation formula of $SET(N, PS, PT)$

Define:

$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT)$  = Sum of all products in  $SET(N, PS, PT)$

When  $PT$  is invalid,  $SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT) = 0$

Only valid  $PT$  is discussed below.

$$\begin{aligned}
PS &= [1, K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M], \quad BS = BASE(PS) = [1, G_1, G_2, \dots, G_M], \\
PT &= [1, T_1, T_2, \dots, T_M]
\end{aligned}$$

**3.1) Use the form  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M) = \sum X_1 X_2 \cdots X_M$ , then**

$$\begin{aligned}
SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT) &= \sum A_q \binom{N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT)}{IDX(PT) - q} \\
A_q &= \prod_{i=1}^M (X_i + D_i), \quad D_i = \begin{cases} -m : X_i = T_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in K \\ +m : X_i = K_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in T \end{cases} \\
q &= \text{count of } X \in K
\end{aligned}$$

[Proof]

1) If  $PT = BS$ , then  $SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, BS) = SUM(N, PS) \rightarrow$  the formula holds.

2) If  $M = 1$  and  $PT$  has 1 change, then  $PS = [1, K_1 > 2]$ ,  $PT = [1, T_1] = [1, 2]$ ,  $BS = [1, G_1] = [1, 3]$ ,

Let  $PS1 = [1, K_1 + 1]$ , 2.3)  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}
&SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT) \\
&= SUM(N, PS) - SUM(N, PS1) \\
&= \left\{ G_1 \binom{N - PH(PS)}{IDX(BS)} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS)}{IDX(BS) - 1} \right\} \\
&\quad - \left\{ G_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS)} + (K_1 + 1) \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left\{ G_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS)} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + G_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 2} \right\} \\
&\quad - \left\{ G_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS)} + (K_1 + 1) \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} \right\} \\
&= (G_1 - 1) \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 2} \\
&= T_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 1} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{IDX(BS) - 2} \\
&= T_1 \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{IDX(PT)} + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{IDX(PT) - 1} \\
&= T_1 \binom{N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT)}{IDX(PT)} \\
&\quad + K_1 \binom{N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT)}{IDX(PT) - 1}
\end{aligned}$$

The form  $= (T_1 + K_1) \rightarrow$  The formula holds.

3) If  $M > 1$  and  $PT$  only has 1 change at  $T_M$  then  $PT = [1, G_1, \dots, G_{M-1}, G_M - 1]$

Let  $PS1 = [1, K_1, \dots, K_{M-1}, K_M + 1], 2, 3) \rightarrow PH(PS1) = PH(PS) + 1:$

$$\begin{aligned}
SUM(N, PS, PT) &= SUM(N, PS) - SUM(N, PS1) \\
&= \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} \sum A_i \binom{N - PH(PS)}{i} - \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} \sum B_i \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i} \\
&= \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} \sum A_i \left\{ \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i} + \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i-1} \right\} \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} \sum B_i \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i} \\
&= \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} (\sum A_i - \sum B_i) \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i} + \sum A_i \binom{N - PH(PS1)}{i-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M}^{IDX(BS)} (\sum A_i - \sum B_i) \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{i} + \sum A_i \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{i-1} \\
&= \sum_{i=IDX(BS)-M-1}^{IDX(BS)} \sum C_J \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{J}, J = i-1, \sum C_{J-1} = \sum A_{i+1} + \sum A_i - \sum B_i \\
&= \sum_{J=IDX(PT)-M}^{IDX(PT)+1} \sum C_J \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{J}
\end{aligned}$$

When  $i = IDS(BS)$ ,  $\sum C_i = MIN(BS) - MIN(BS) = 0$

$$= \sum_{J=IDX(PT)-M}^{IDX(PT)} \sum C_J \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1}{J}$$

Use the symbol of (1.3)

$$i = IDX(BS) - CNT, \quad CNT = \text{Count of } X \in K$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Let } R(E) &= \sum \prod_{L=1}^{M-1} (X_L + D_L), \quad E = \text{Count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_{M-1}\} \in K \\
\sum A_{i+1} &= R(CNT-1)(G_M - (CNT-1)) \\
&\quad + R(CNT-2)(K_M + (M-1) - (CNT-2)) \\
\sum A_i &= R(CNT)(G_M - CNT) + R(CNT-1)(K_M + (M-1) - (CNT-1)) \\
\sum B_i &= R(CNT)(G_M - CNT) + R(CNT-1)((K_M + 1) + (M-1) - (CNT-1)) \\
\sum C_{j-1} &= \sum A_{i+1} + \sum A_i - \sum B_i \\
&= R(CNT-1)(G_M - CNT) + R(CNT-2)(K_M + M - CNT + 1) \\
&= R(CNT-1)(T_M - \{CNT-1\}) + R(CNT-2)(K_M + \{(M-1) - (CNT-2)\})
\end{aligned}$$

→ Match of the form  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M)$

4) If  $M > 1$  and  $PT$  only has 1 change at  $T_{i < M}$ , Let

$$R(E) = \sum \prod_{L=1, L \neq i}^M (X_L + D_L), \text{ use the same method of (3).}$$

5) if  $PCHG(PS, PT) > 1$ , Use 2.3) → divide the Items into subset → deducing by induction.

**q.e.d.**

Example:

$$N - PH([1, 3, 5, 7]) - PCHG([1, 3, 5, 7], [1, 2, 3, 4]) = N - (8 - 3 - 2) - 3 = N - 6$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, [1, 3, 5, 7], [1, 2, 3, 4])$$

→

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{form} &= (2+3)(3+5)(4+7) \\
&= 24 \binom{N-6}{5} + 108 \binom{N-6}{4} + 174 \binom{N-6}{3} + 105 \binom{N-6}{2} \\
&= 1 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 + 2 \times 4 \times 6 \times 8 + 3 \times 5 \times 7 \times 9 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Among:

$$24 = 2 \times 3 \times 4; \quad 105 = 3 \times 5 \times 7$$

$$108 = 2 \times 3 \times (7+2) + 2 \times (5+1) \times (4-1) + 3 \times (3-1) \times (4-1)$$

$$174 = 2 \times (5+1) \times (7+1) + 3 \times (3-1) \times (7+1) + 3 \times 5 \times (4-2)$$

Use the same method of 3.1)

**3.2) Calculation formula of  $SUM\_K(SET(N, PS, PT), PF)$  is similar to 1.4).**

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}
&SUM\_SUBSET(N, [1, 3, 7], [1, 2, 3]) \\
&= 6 \binom{N-6}{4} + 2 \times (\{7\} + \{1\}) \binom{N-6}{3} + 3 \times (\{3-1\}) \binom{N-6}{3} + 3 \times 7 \binom{N-6}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(10, [1, 3, 7], [1, 2, 3])$$

$$= 1 \times 3 \times 7 + 2 \times 4 \times 8 + 3 \times 5 \times 9$$

$$= 1 \times 3 \times 7 + 2 \times (3+1) \times (7+1) + 3 \times (3+2) \times (7+2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \{1 \times 3 \times 7 + 2 \times 3 \times 7 + 3 \times 3 \times 7\} + \{2 \times 3 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 \times 2\} \\
&\quad + \{2 \times 1 \times 7 + 3 \times 2 \times 7\} + \{2 \times 1 \times 1 + 3 \times 2 \times 2\}
\end{aligned}$$

→

$$\{1 \times 3 \times 7 + 2 \times 3 \times 7 + 3 \times 3 \times 7\} = 3 \times 7 \binom{10-6}{2}$$

$$\{2 \times 3 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 \times 2\} = 3 \times (\{3-1\}) \binom{N-6}{3} = 6 \binom{10-6}{3}$$

$$\{2 \times 1 \times 7 + 3 \times 2 \times 7\} = 2 \times 7 \binom{N-6}{3} = 14 \binom{N-6}{3}$$

$$\{2 \times 1 \times 1 + 3 \times 2 \times 2\} = 6 \binom{10-6}{4} + 2 \times \{1\} \binom{10-6}{3}$$

**3.3) Use the form**  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M) = \sum X_1 X_2 \cdots X_M$   
 $SUM\_K(SET(N, PS, PT), E_1 E_2 \cdots E_M)$

$$= \sum A_q \binom{N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT)}{IDX(PT) - q}$$

$$A_q = \prod_{i=1}^M D_i, \quad D_i = \begin{cases} T_i - m : X_i = T_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_2, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in K \\ +m : X_i = K_i, m = \text{count of } \{X_2, \dots, X_{i-1}\} \in T \end{cases}$$

$q = \text{count of } X \in K, \quad X_1 = T_1, \quad 2^{M-1} \text{ Items in total.}$

In particular:

$$\text{If } PT1 = [1, T_1, \dots, T_M] = [1, 2, \dots, M+1], \text{ then } PB(PS) = PCHG(PS, PT1)$$

$$N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT1)$$

$$= N - [IDX(PS) - 2 - PB(PS)] - PB(PS)$$

$$= N - (K_M - 1)$$

$$IDX(PT1) = M + 2$$

$$SUM(SET(N, PS, PT1), E_1 \cdots E_M)$$

$$= 2 \times 1^M + 3 \times 2^M + \cdots + (N - K_M) \times (N - K_M - 1)^M$$

→

$$SUM(SET(N + K_M + 1, PS, PT1), E_1 \cdots E_M)$$

$$= 2 \times 1^M + 3 \times 2^M + \cdots + (N + 1) \times N^M$$

**3.4)**  $\sum_{n=1}^N (n+1)n^M = SUM\_K(SET(N + K_M + 1, PS, PT1), E_1 \cdots E_M)$

#### 4. Analysis of $SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, [1, 2, \dots, M+1])$

$PS = [1, K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M]$ ,  $PT1 = [1, 2, 3, \dots, M+1]$ . The simplest subset of  $PS$  is  $SET(N, PS, PT1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1) \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^M C_q \binom{N - (K_M - 1)}{M + 2 - q} = \sum_{n=1}^{N-K_M} \sum_{q=0}^M C_q \binom{n}{M + 1 - q} \\ &= 1 \times K_1 \times \cdots \times K_M + 2 \times (1 + K_1) \times \cdots \times (1 + K_M) + \cdots \\ & \quad + (N - K_M) \times ([N - K_M - 1] + K_1) \times \cdots \times (N - 1) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{N-K_M} n(n + K_1 - 1)(n + K_2 - 1) \cdots (n + K_M - 1) \end{aligned} \tag{1*}$$

Solve (1\*) in a normal way:

$$\text{Decompose } n(n+K_1-1)\cdots(n+K_M-1) \text{ to } \sum_{j=1}^{M+1} D_j \binom{n}{j} \rightarrow D_j = C_q ,$$

$$q = M + 1 - j$$

**4.1)**  $1 < K_1 < \dots < K_M$ , **3.1)** can decompose  $n(n+K_1-1)\cdots(n+K_M-1)$  to

$$\sum_{j=1}^{M+1} D_j \binom{n}{j}$$

$$\text{In particular, 1.5) } \rightarrow C_q = (M+1)! \binom{M}{M-q} \rightarrow D_j = (M+1)! \binom{M}{j-1} \rightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{4.2)} [x]^M = \frac{M!}{M!} \binom{M-1}{M-1} [x]_M + \frac{M!}{(M-1)!} \binom{M-1}{M-2} [x]_{M-1} + \dots + \frac{M!}{1!} \binom{M-1}{0} [x]_1$$

**4.3) P is a prime number,**  $N - (K_M - 1) = P$

1)  $|SET(N, PS, PT1)| = P - 1$ ,

2)  $SET(N, PS, PT1)$

$$= \{(1, K_1, \dots, K_M), (2, 1+K_1, \dots, 1+K_M) \dots (P-1, \dots, N-1)\}$$

3) if  $K_M \leq P-1$  and  $PS \neq [1, 2, \dots, P-1]$ , then

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1) \equiv 0 \bmod P$$

[Proof]

$$\begin{aligned} |SET(N, PS, PT1)| &= \binom{N - PH(PS) - 1 - PCHG(PS, PT1)}{PB(PT1) + 1} \\ &= \binom{(P + K_M - 1) - (K_M + 1 - PB(PS) - 2) - 1 - PCHG(PS, PT1)}{1} \\ &\xrightarrow{PB(PS)=PCHG(PS,PT1)} P - 1 \rightarrow (1)(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1) = \sum_{q=0}^M C_q \binom{P}{IDX(PT1) - q}$$

$$K_M \leq P - 1 \text{ and } PS \neq [1, 2, \dots, P - 1] \rightarrow IDX(PT1) < P \rightarrow (3)$$

q.e.d.

When  $K_M = P - 1$  and  $PS \neq [1, 2, \dots, P - 1]$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1)$$

$$= 1 \times K_1 \times \dots \times K_M + 2 \times (1 + K_1) \times \dots \times P$$

$$+ 3 \times (2 + K_1) \dots (2 + K_{M-1}) (2 + K_M)$$

$$+ 4 \times (3 + K_1) \dots (3 + K_{M-1}) (3 + K_M) + \dots$$

$$+ (P-1) \times (P-2 + K_1) \times \dots \times (P-2 + K_M)$$

$$3 \times (2 + K_1) \dots (2 + K_{M-1}) (2 + K_M) \equiv 1 \times 3 \times (2 + K_1) \dots (2 + K_{M-1})$$

$$4 \times (3 + K_1) \dots (3 + K_{M-1}) (3 + K_M)$$

$$\equiv 2 \times (1 + [3]) \times (1 + [2 + K_1]) \dots (1 + [2 + K_{M-1}])$$

...

$$\begin{aligned}
& (P-1) \times (P-2+K_1) \cdots (P-2+K_M) \\
& \equiv (P-1) \times (P-2+K_1) \cdots (P-2+K_{M-1})(2P-3) \\
& \equiv (P-4+[1])(P-4+[3])(P-4+[2+K_1]) \cdots (P-4+[2+K_{M-1}]) \\
& 1 \times K_1 \times \cdots \times K_M \equiv 1 \times K_1 \times \cdots \times (P-1) \equiv (P+1)(P+K_1) \cdots (P+P-1) \\
& \equiv (P-1)(P-2+3)([P-2]+[2+K_1]) \cdots ([P-2]+[2+K_{M-1}])
\end{aligned}$$

→

$$\begin{aligned}
& SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1) \\
& \equiv SUM\_SUBSET(N, [1, 3, 2+K_1, \epsilon, 2+K_{M-1}], PT1) MOD P
\end{aligned}$$

$PS = [1, K_1 \cdots K_M]$  can be slided to  $[1, 3, 2+K_1, \cdots, 2+K_{M-1}]$  by  $MOD P$   
If  $K_M = P-1$  and exists  $K_{i+1} - K_i > 2$ ,  $PS$  can be slided to  $[1, \cdots, X < P-1]$   
If  $K_M = P-1$  and not exists  $K_{i+1} - K_i > 2$ ,  $PS$  must be a Basic Shape, can only be slided to  $[1, \cdots, X = P-1]$

**Define:**

**A Basic Shape**  $PS = [1, K_1 \cdots K_M] = [[L_1 L_2 \cdots L_Q]]$ , among:

$L_i$  = count of continuity.  $(L_p, L_{p+1})$  means a discontinuity, there are  $Q-1$  discontinuities.

Example:  $[1, 3, 5] = [[1, 1, 1]]$ ,  $[1, 2, 3, 5] = [[3, 1]]$ ,  $[1, 2, 4, 5] = [[2, 2]]$

Obvious:  $[[L_1 L_2 \cdots L_Q]]$  can been slided to  $[L_Q, L_1, L_2, \cdots]$ ,  
 $[L_{Q-1}, L_Q, L_1, L_2, \cdots]$ , ...

**4.4)  $PS$  is a Basic Shape,**  $IDX(PS)=P$ ,  $PS \neq [1, 2, \cdots, P-1]$ ,  $\{PS1, PS2, \cdots\}$  are all shapes that  $PS$  can scroll to, then

$MIN(PS1) + MIN(PS2) + \cdots \equiv 0 MOD P$ . This is a promotion of 1.6)

[Proof]

$$3 \times (2+K_1) \cdots (2+K_{M-1})(2+K_M) \equiv 1 \times 3 \times (2+K_1) \cdots (2+K_{M-1}) MOD P$$

If  $2+K_{M-1} \neq P$ ,  $[1, 3, (2+K_1), \cdots, (2+K_{M-1})] \in \{PS1, PS2, \cdots\}$

...

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS1, PT1) \equiv MIN(PS1) + MIN(PS2) + \cdots \equiv 0 MOD P$$

**q.e.d.**

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}
& 1 \times (3 \times 4 \times 5) \times (7 \times 8) \times 10 + 1 \times 3 \times (5 \times 6 \times 7) \times (9 \times 10) \\
& + (1 \times 2) \times 4 \times 6 \times (8 \times 9 \times 10) + (1 \times 2 \times 3) \times (5 \times 6) \times 8 \times 10 \\
& = 139260 \equiv 0 MOD 11
\end{aligned}$$

## 5. Calculation Formula of $1^M + 2^M + 3^M + \cdots + N^M$

Use the form  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M)$ .

In general,  $K_i$  and  $K_j$  cannot be exchanged, but when

$$PT = PT1 = [1, 2, \cdots, M+1],$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, PS, PT1) = \sum_{q=0}^M C_q \binom{N - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT1)}{IDX(PT1) - q}$$

$$C_q = \sum \prod_{i=1}^M (X_i + D_i) = \sum \prod_{\text{choice } M-q \text{ from } T} (T - D) \prod_{\text{choice } q \text{ from } K} (K + D)$$

Easy to see:  $\prod_{\text{choice } M-q \text{ from } T} (T - D) = (M+1-q)!$

Can prove:  $(K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M)$  is **permutable** in  $\sum \prod_{\text{choice } q \text{ from } K} (K + D)$   
 $\rightarrow (K_1, K_2, \dots, K_M)$  is permutable in the form.

$$\text{SUM\_SUBSET}(N, PS, PT1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{q=0}^M A_q \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+2-q} = \sum_{n=K_M+1}^N \sum_{q=0}^M A_q \binom{n-K_M}{M+1-q} \\ &= 1 \times K_1 \times \dots \times K_M + 2 \times (1+K_1) \times \dots \times (2+K_M) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Add one more factor  $K_i$  to the end:

$$\begin{aligned} &1 \times K_1 \times \dots \times K_M \times K_i + 2 \times (1+K_1) \times \dots \times (1+K_M) \times (1+K_i) + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=K_M+1}^N \sum_{q=0}^M A_q \binom{n-K_M}{M+1-q} (n-1-K_M+K_i) \\ &= \sum_{n=K_M+1}^N \sum_{q=0}^M A_q \binom{n-K_M}{M+1-q} ([n-K_M+1] + [K_i-2]) \\ &= \sum_{n=K_M+1}^N \sum_{q=0}^M \left\{ A_q (M+2-q) \binom{n-K_M+1}{M+2-q} + A_q (K_i-2) \binom{n-K_M}{M+1-q} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^M A_q (M+2-q) \binom{N-K_M+2}{M+3-q} + \sum_{q=0}^M A_q (K_i-2) \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+2-q} \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^M A_q (M+2-q) \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+3-q} \\ &\quad + \sum_{q=0}^M \{ A_q (M+2-q) + A_q (K_i-2) \} \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+2-q} \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^M A_q (M+2-q) \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+3-q} \\ &\quad + \sum_{q=0}^M A_q (K_i + (M-q)) \binom{N-K_M+1}{M+3-(q+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $PS2 = [1, K_1, \dots, K_M, K_{M+1} = K_i]$ ,

$PT2 = [1, T_1, \dots, T_M, T_{M+1}] = [1, 2, \dots, M+1, M+2]$

$IDX(PT2) = M+3$ ,  $N - PH(PS2) - PCHG(PS2, PT2) = N - K_M + 1$

$q = \text{count of } \{X_1, \dots, X_M\} \in K$

$A_q (M+2-q) = A_q (T_{M+1}-q)$  means  $X_{M+1} = T_{M+1}$ ,  $A_q (K_i + (M-q))$

means  $X_{M+1} = K_{M+1}$

It's match the form  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M)(T_{M+1} + K_i)$

Recursion  $\rightarrow$

**5.1)  $K_i < K_j$ ,  $K_i = K_j$ ,  $K_i > K_j$  are allowed,**

$\text{SUM\_SUBSET}(N, PS, PT1)$  can use the form  $(T_1 + K_1)(T_2 + K_2) \cdots (T_M + K_M)$

Example:

The form =  $(2+3)(3+5)(4+3) \rightarrow$

$\text{SUM\_SUBSET}(N, [1, 3, 5, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4])$

$$= 24 \binom{N-4}{5} + 84 \binom{N-4}{4} + 102 \binom{N-4}{3} + 45 \binom{N-4}{2}$$

Among:

$$45 = 3 \times 5 \times 3$$

$$102 = 3 \times 5 \times (4-2) + 3 \times (3-1) \times (3+1) + 2 \times (5+1) \times (3+1)$$

$$84 = 2 \times 3 \times (3+2) + 2 \times (5+1) \times (4-1) + 3 \times (3-1) \times (4-1)$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(9, [1, 3, 5, 3], [1, 2, 3, 4])$$

$$= 1 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5 + 2 \times 4 \times 4 \times 6 + 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 7 + 4 \times 6 \times 6 \times 8 = 1914$$

$$= 24 \binom{5}{5} + 84 \binom{5}{4} + 102 \binom{5}{3} + 45 \binom{5}{2}$$

The form =  $(2+4)(3+7)(4+7) \rightarrow$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(N, [1, 4, 7, 7], [1, 2, 3, 4])$$

$$= 24 \binom{N-6}{5} + 126 \binom{N-6}{4} + 248 \binom{N-6}{3} + 196 \binom{N-6}{2}$$

Among:

$$196 = 4 \times 7 \times 7$$

$$248 = 4 \times 7 \times (4-2) + 4 \times (3-1) \times (7+1) + 2 \times (7+1) \times (7+1)$$

$$126 = 2 \times 3 \times (7+2) + 2 \times (7+1) \times (4-1) + 4 \times (3-1) \times (4-1)$$

$$SUM\_SUBSET(12, [1, 4, 7, 7], [1, 2, 3, 4])$$

$$= 1 \times 4 \times 7 \times 7 + 2 \times 5 \times 8 \times 8 + 3 \times 6 \times 9 \times 9 + 4 \times 7 \times 10 \times 10 + 5 \times 8 \times 11 \times 11$$

$$= 9934 = 24 \binom{6}{5} + 126 \binom{6}{4} + 248 \binom{6}{3} + 196 \binom{6}{2}$$

In particular:

$$5.2) \sum_{n=1}^M n^M = SUM\_SUBSET(N+1, [1, 1, \dots, 1], [1, 2, \dots, M])$$

Example:

$$(N+1) - PH(PS) - PCHG(PS, PT1) = (N+1) - 0 - 0 = N+1$$

The form =  $(2+1)$

$$\rightarrow 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + N^2 = 2 \binom{N+1}{3} + \binom{N+1}{2} = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$

The form =  $(2+1)(3+1)$

$$\rightarrow 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + N^3 = 6 \binom{N+1}{4} + 6 \binom{N+1}{3} + \binom{N+1}{2} = \frac{N^2(N+1)^2}{4}$$

The form =  $(2+1)(3+1)(4+1)$

$$\rightarrow 1^4 + 2^4 + \dots + N^4 = 24 \binom{N+1}{5} + 36 \binom{N+1}{4} + 14 \binom{N+1}{3} + \binom{N+1}{2}$$

Among:

$$14 = 2 \times (1+1) \times (1+1) + 1 \times 1 \times (4-2) + 1 \times (3-1) \times (1+1)$$

$$36 = 2 \times 3 \times (1+2) + 2 \times (1+1) \times (4-1) + 1 \times (3-1) \times (4-1)$$

$S(M, K)$  is Stirling number of the second kind,

$$\text{Definition of } S(M, K) \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^N n^M = \sum_{K=1}^M K! S(M, K) \binom{N+1}{K+1}$$

It's equal to 5.2), so we have a way to calculate  $S(M, K)$ .

3.4) can be seen as

$$\sum_{n=1}^N (n+1)n^M = \text{SUM\_SUBSET}(N+1, [1, 0, \dots, 0], [1, 2, \dots, M+1])$$

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