

tests

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[76]: import os
      from datetime import datetime
      import random
      from math import gcd
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[77]: class TimeMachineCore:

      n = 3
      m = 2
      c = 1

      def __init__(self, seed):
          self.year = seed

      def next(self):
          self.year = (self.year * self.m + self.c) % self.n
          return self.year
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[78]: a = datetime.now()
      a
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[78]: datetime.datetime(2020, 11, 20, 20, 6, 26, 982748)
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[79]: date_str = a.strftime('%Y%m%d')
      date_str
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[79]: '20201120'
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[80]: rand = random.getrandbits(128)
      rand
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[80]: 217082759444782165305237964512445010129
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[81]: seed = int(date_str) <<1337
      seed
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[81]: 60600980538955337000993925806462511815188012866319643595788509076843136187920350
78978736168485016595268342974968879843879680834922284438110423574261365881456983
23903255057440412659639497160666751453529971240671742923851670720115306000550380
71403982809835980622018352312721251686048314843961159194133546373642697386398870
75359021700246231850155432504089599376017493478533890422744225071566925918638169
9825008640
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[82]: seed = seed % rand
seed
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[82]: 14076193466970876402423793818965647930
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[83]: gen = TimeMachineCore(seed)
gen
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[83]: <__main__.TimeMachineCore at 0x7f57c036b1f0>
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[84]: gen.next()
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[84]: 0
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[85]: gen.next()
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[85]: 1
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[14]: import requests
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[42]: CONTAINER = "http://docker.hackthebox.eu:32122"
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[39]: #CONTAINER = "http://127.0.0.1:8080"
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[46]: def predict_year(year: int):
    payload = {'year': year}
    r = requests.post(CONTAINER + "/predict_year", json=payload)
    return r.json()
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[47]: predict_year(123)
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[47]: {'fail': 'wrong year'}
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[48]: def next_year():
    r = requests.get(CONTAINER + "/next_year")
    return r.json()['year']
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[49]: next_year()
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[49]: '2044452719'
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[50]: def jump_to_2020(seed: int):
      payload = {'seed': seed}
      r = requests.post(CONTAINER + "/travelTo2020", json=payload)
      return r.json()
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[86]: jump_to_2020(0)
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[86]: {'error': 'What?? This is not 2020. It\\s 0!'}
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[54]: %%timeit
      next_year()
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73.2 ms ± 896 µs per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)

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[55]: %%timeit
      jump_to_2020(0)
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1 s ± 62.4 ms per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)

average ping (round-trip time) is 27.5ms

-> execution takes around 50 ms

-> hops is at least 20

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[90]: jump_to_2020(1)
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[90]: {'error': 'What?? This is not 2020. It\\s 430046689!'}
```

jump_to_2020 seems deterministic... at least

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[95]: def seed_to_year(seed: int):
      error = jump_to_2020(seed)['error']
      year = error.split(' ')[-1][:-1]
      return int(year)
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[96]: seed_to_year(1)
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[96]: 430046689
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[104]: for seed in range(20):
      print("seed=%d year=%d" % (seed, seed_to_year(seed)))
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seed=0 year=0
seed=1 year=430046689
seed=2 year=860093378
seed=3 year=1290140067
seed=4 year=1720186756
seed=5 year=2749798
seed=6 year=432796487
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seed=7 year=862843176
seed=8 year=1292889865
seed=9 year=1722936554
seed=10 year=5499596
seed=11 year=435546285
seed=12 year=865592974
seed=13 year=1295639663
seed=14 year=1725686352
seed=15 year=8249394
seed=16 year=438296083
seed=17 year=868342772
seed=18 year=1298389461
seed=19 year=1728436150
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[105]: seeds = []
years = []

for seed in range(100):
    year = seed_to_year(seed)
    print("seed=%d year=%d" % (seed, year))
    seeds.append(seed)
    years.append(year)
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seed=1 year=430046689
seed=2 year=860093378
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seed=6 year=432796487
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seed=16 year=438296083
seed=17 year=868342772
seed=18 year=1298389461
seed=19 year=1728436150
seed=20 year=10999192
seed=21 year=441045881
seed=22 year=871092570
seed=23 year=1301139259
seed=24 year=1731185948
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seed=25 year=13748990
seed=26 year=443795679
seed=27 year=873842368
seed=28 year=1303889057
seed=29 year=1733935746
seed=30 year=16498788
seed=31 year=446545477
seed=32 year=876592166
seed=33 year=1306638855
seed=34 year=1736685544
seed=35 year=19248586
seed=36 year=449295275
seed=37 year=879341964
seed=38 year=1309388653
seed=39 year=1739435342
seed=40 year=21998384
seed=41 year=452045073
seed=42 year=882091762
seed=43 year=1312138451
seed=44 year=1742185140
seed=45 year=24748182
seed=46 year=454794871
seed=47 year=884841560
seed=48 year=1314888249
seed=49 year=1744934938
seed=50 year=27497980
seed=51 year=457544669
seed=52 year=887591358
seed=53 year=1317638047
seed=54 year=1747684736
seed=55 year=30247778
seed=56 year=460294467
seed=57 year=890341156
seed=58 year=1320387845
seed=59 year=1750434534
seed=60 year=32997576
seed=61 year=463044265
seed=62 year=893090954
seed=63 year=1323137643
seed=64 year=1753184332
seed=65 year=35747374
seed=66 year=465794063
seed=67 year=895840752
seed=68 year=1325887441
seed=69 year=1755934130
seed=70 year=38497172
seed=71 year=468543861
seed=72 year=898590550

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seed=73 year=1328637239
seed=74 year=1758683928
seed=75 year=41246970
seed=76 year=471293659
seed=77 year=901340348
seed=78 year=1331387037
seed=79 year=1761433726
seed=80 year=43996768
seed=81 year=474043457
seed=82 year=904090146
seed=83 year=1334136835
seed=84 year=1764183524
seed=85 year=46746566
seed=86 year=476793255
seed=87 year=906839944
seed=88 year=1336886633
seed=89 year=1766933322
seed=90 year=49496364
seed=91 year=479543053
seed=92 year=909589742
seed=93 year=1339636431
seed=94 year=1769683120
seed=95 year=52246162
seed=96 year=482292851
seed=97 year=912339540
seed=98 year=1342386229
seed=99 year=1772432918
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[99]: base_year = 430046689
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[101]: modulo_n = seeds[5] * base_year - years[5]
        modulo_n
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[101]: 2147483647
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[102]: seeds[5] * base_year % modulo_n == years[5]
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[102]: True
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[106]: for seed, year in zip(seeds, years):
        print(seed * base_year % modulo_n == year)
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True
True
True
True
True
True
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seed * 430046689 % 2147483647 == 2020
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2147483647 = $2^{31} - 1$ (until 1867 it was the largest known prime number)

solved the equation using wolframalpha.com :

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solve x * 430046689 mod 2147483647 = 2020
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[107]: 4260992388* 430046689 % 2147483647 == 2020
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[107]: True
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[108]: jump_to_2020(4260992388)
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[108]: {'flag': 'HTB{l1n34r_c0n9ru3nc35_4nd_prn91Zz}'}
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