



T26G3 - Annoying Advertisement II

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Background

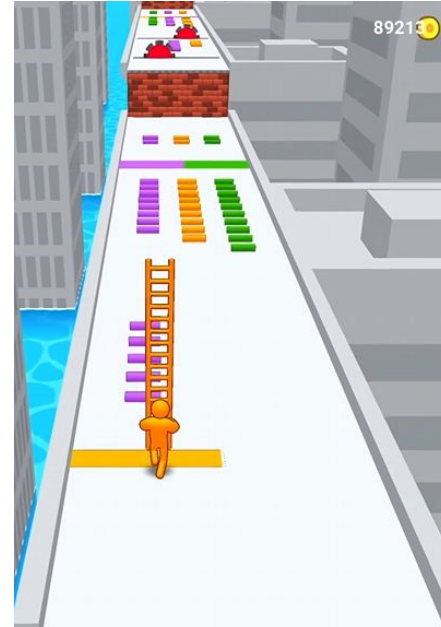
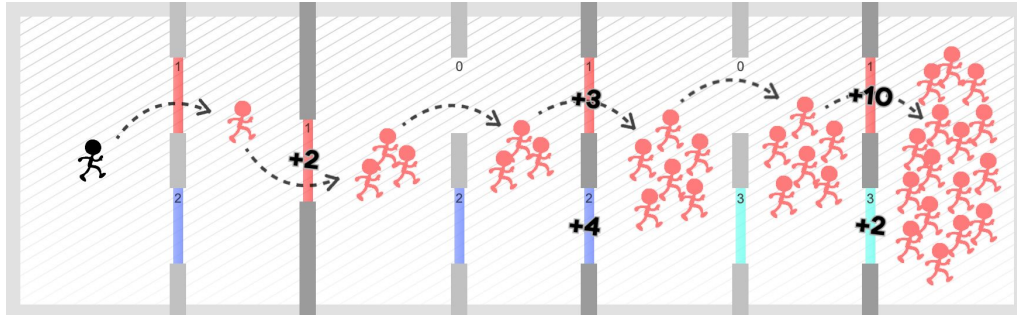
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Problem Statement

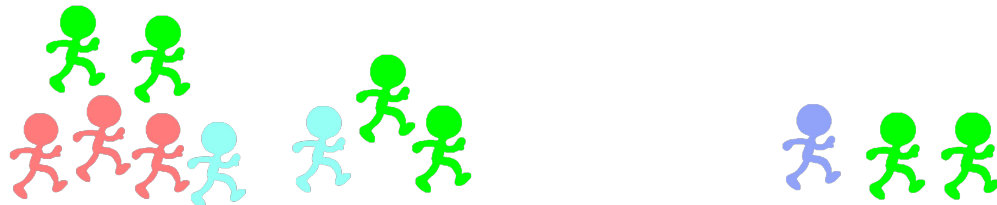
- Input gives you N rounds of gates.
- In odd rounds (coloring rounds), you can recolor all runners (if $A_{i,j} \neq 0$) or keep their color unchanged (if $A_{i,j} = 0$).
- In even rounds (reward rounds), you get $X_{i,j}$ runners if their color is currently $B_{i,j}$
- Maximize the number of runners in the end



Inspiration

Statistics

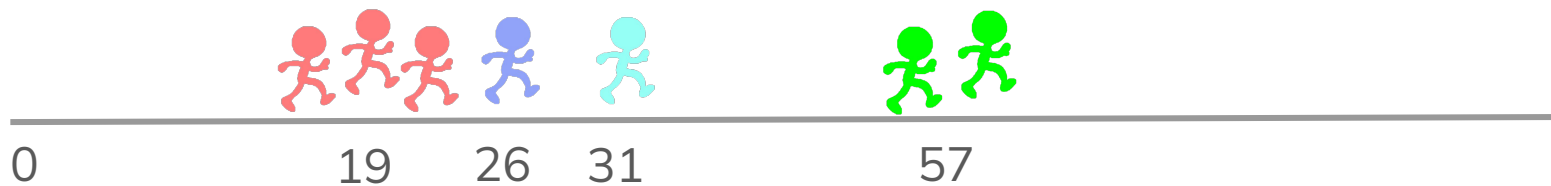
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Subtask	1	2	3	4	5

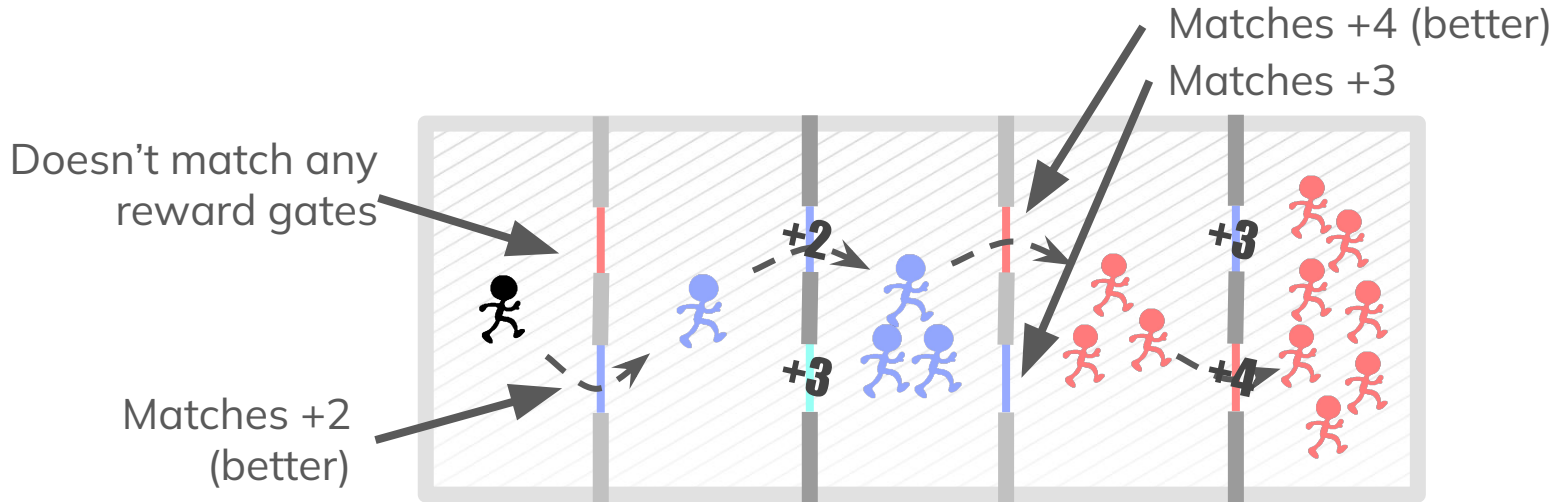
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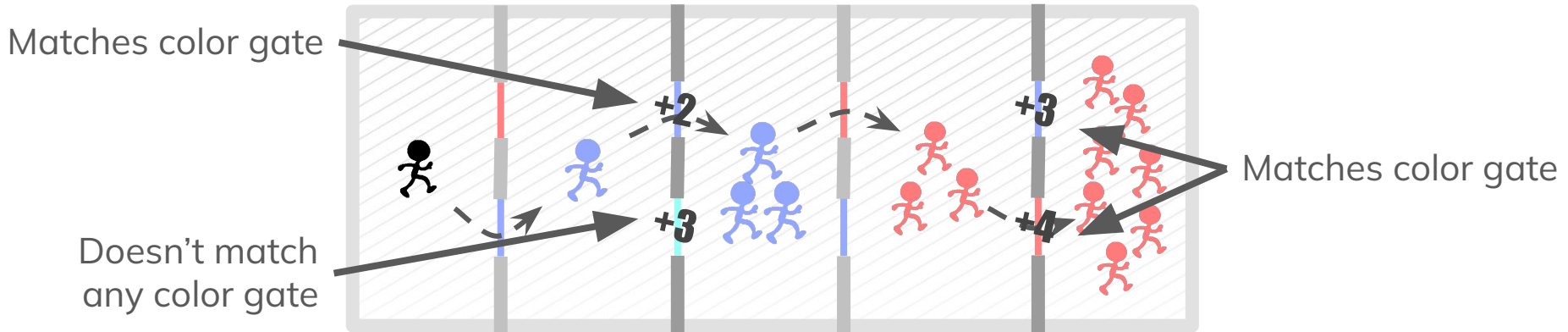
Subtask 1 (19%): $A_{i,j} \neq 0, \sum C_i \leq 1000$

- You must recolor your runners to one of the $A_{i,j}$ in each coloring round
- For each possible $A_{i,j}$ in round i , check if color $A_{i,j}$ exist in the next reward round as $B_{i+1,k}$, and select the maximum $X_{i+1,k}$



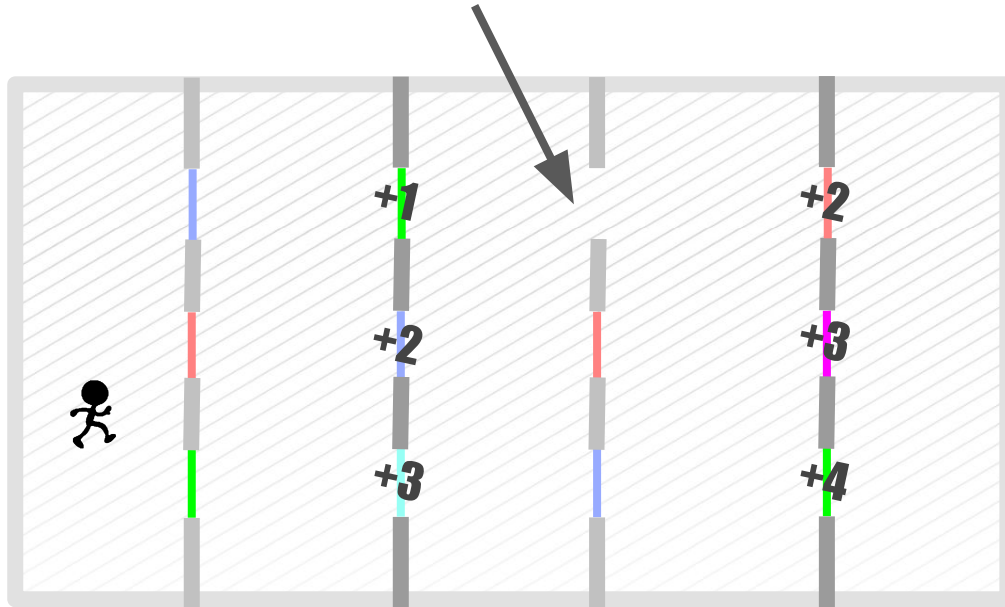
Subtask 2 (12%): $A_{i,j} \neq 0$

- You must recolor your runners to one of the $A_{i,j}$ in each coloring round
- For each possible $A_{i,j}$ in round i , **check if color $A_{i,j}$ exist in the next reward round as $B_{i+1,k}$** , and select the maximum $X_{i+1,k}$ **Slowest part!**
- Use binary search to check instead
- Note: looping through $B_{i,j}$ is easier to implement as you already know $X_{i,j}$.



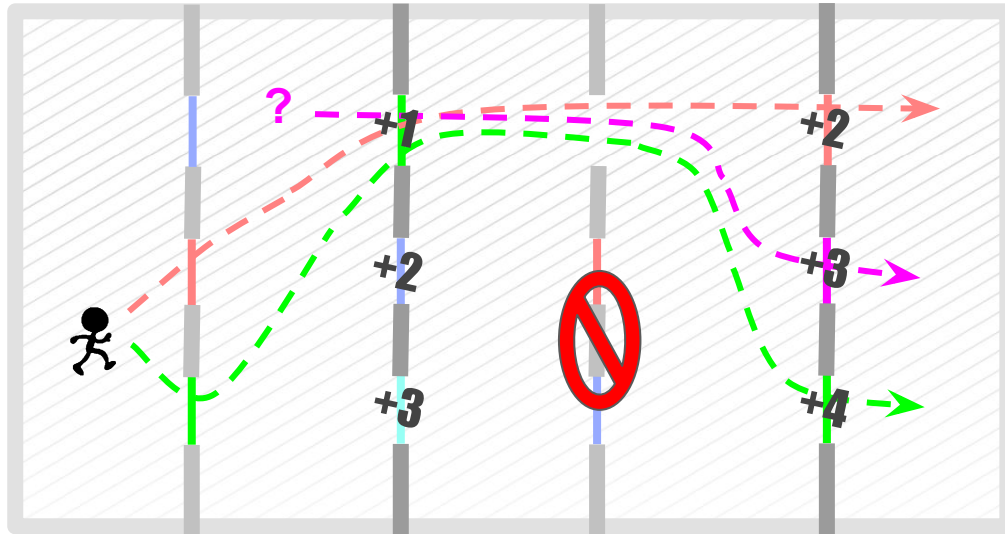
Subtask 3 (20%): $A_{i,j} \neq 0$ for all $i \equiv 1 \pmod 4$

- The game looks like this
- Two cases to handle: color the runners or not



Subtask 3 (20%): $A_{i,j} \neq 0$ for all $i \equiv 1 \pmod 4$

- Case 1: we use the uncolored gate
- We check if the color exist in the previous coloring round and reward round



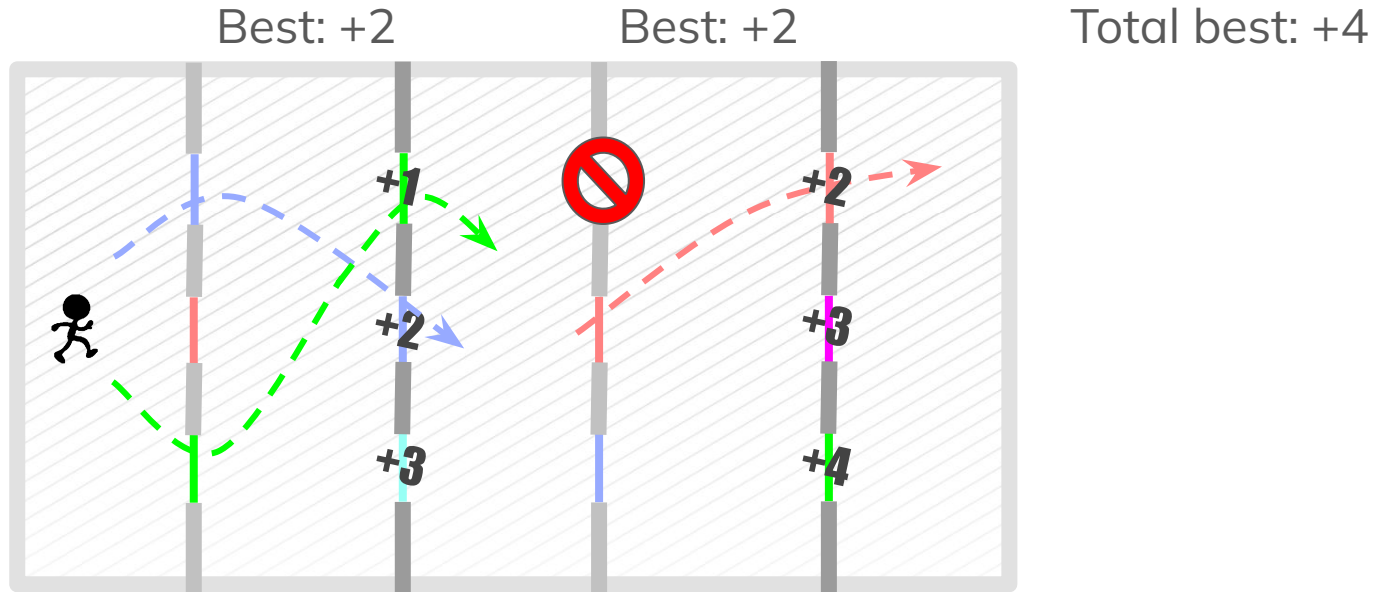
Total: +2

Invalid color

Total: +5

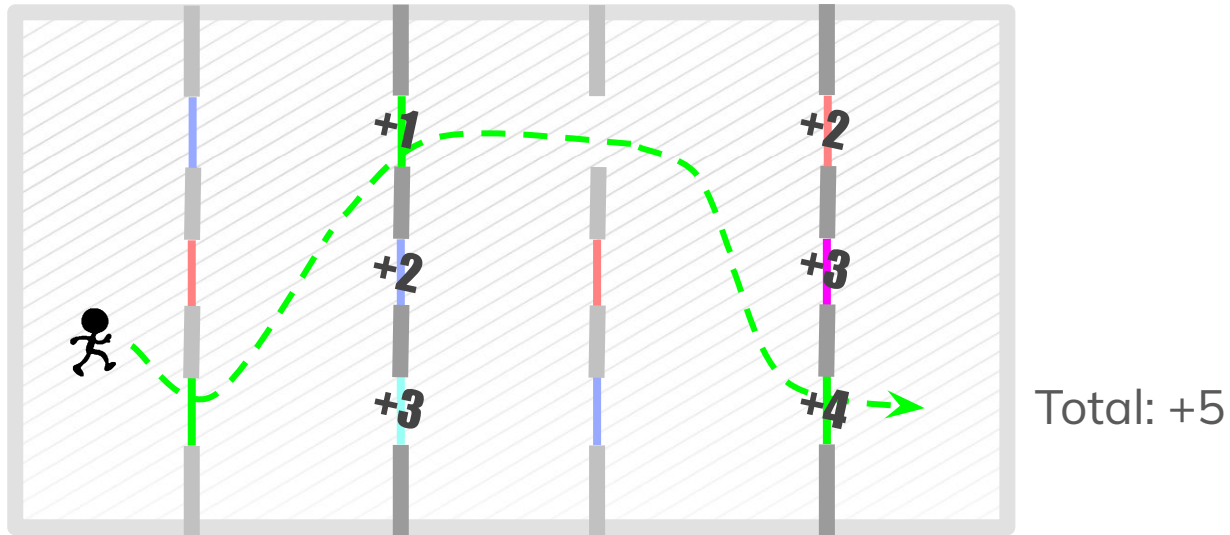
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- Case 2: we use some colored gate
- The two consecutive reward rounds are independent of each other



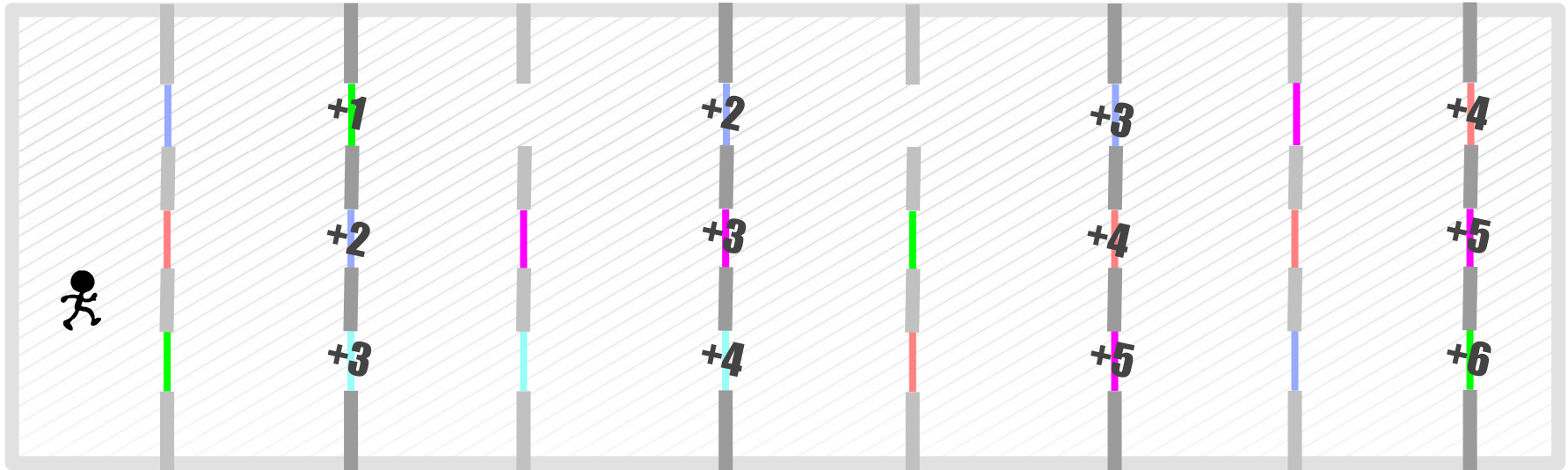
Subtask 3 (20%): $A_{i,j} \neq 0$ for all $i \equiv 1 \pmod 4$

- Choose the best out of two cases for every four consecutive rounds



Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

- There may be a lot of consecutive uncolor gates
- However, there are at most 10 possible colors
- Keep track of every possible color at each round



Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

Possible colors: 

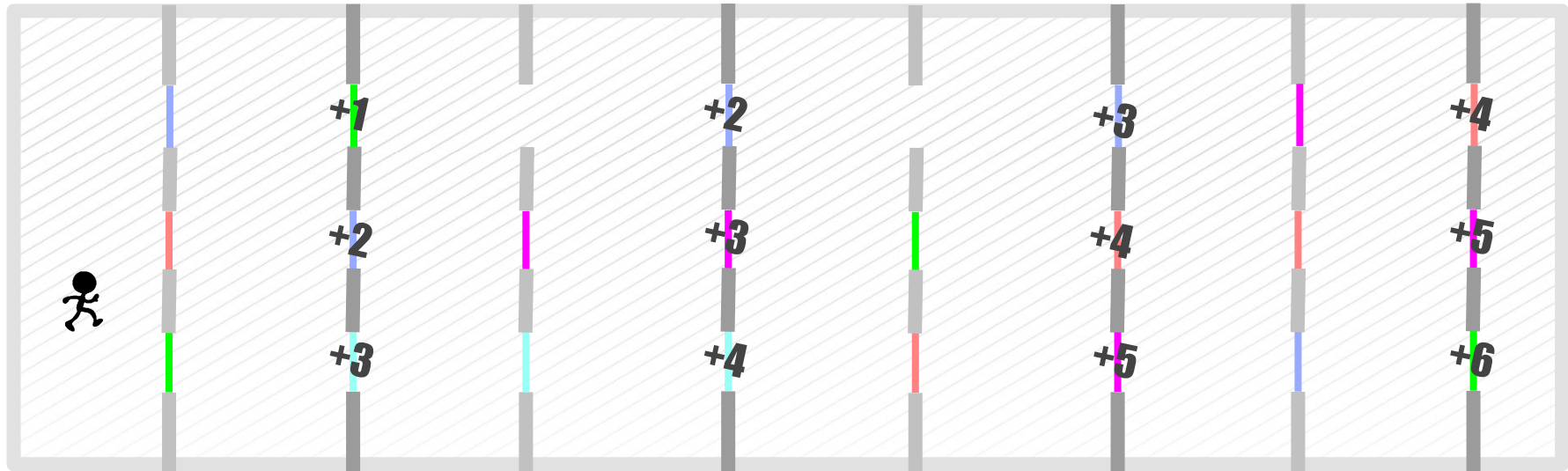


Do not repeat!



Reset when
no $X_{i,j} = 0$

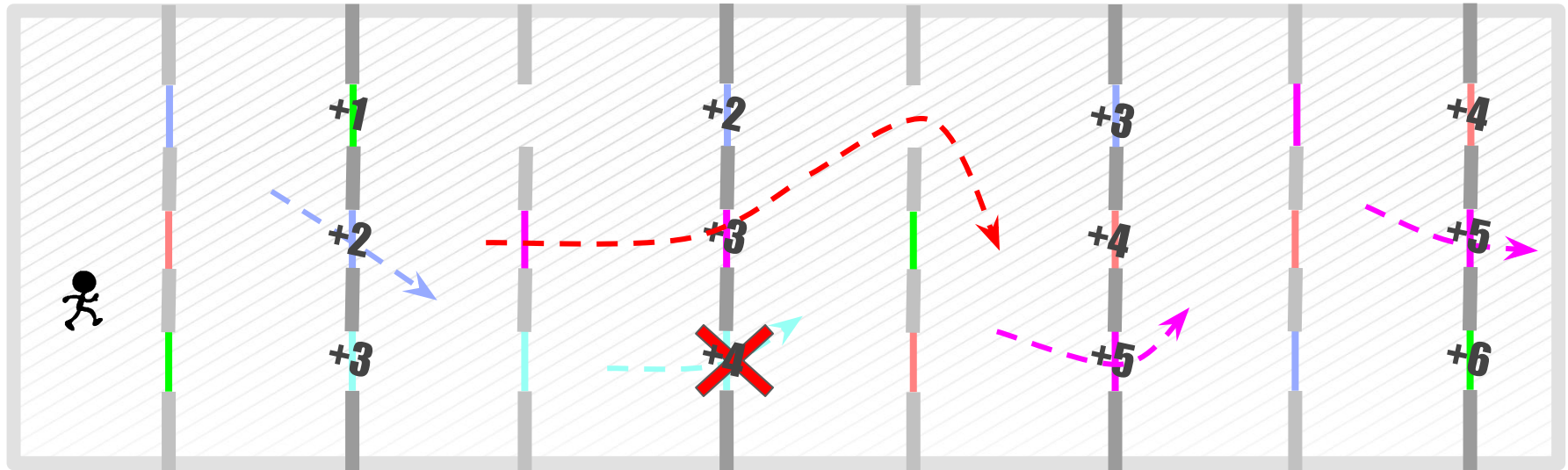




Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

- Can we just choose the best possible color in each reward round? NO!
- We must choose purple the color round before

Possible colors:



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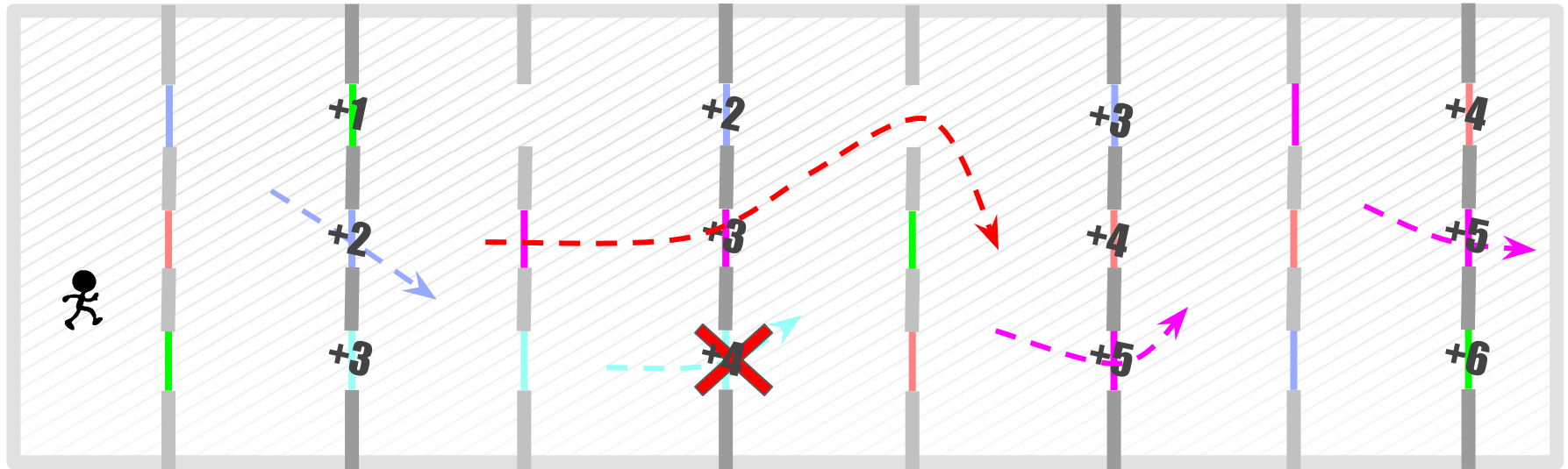
- When choosing local optimal does not lead to global optimal \rightarrow use DP!
- Keep track of the maximum possible number of runners for each color

Possible colors:   

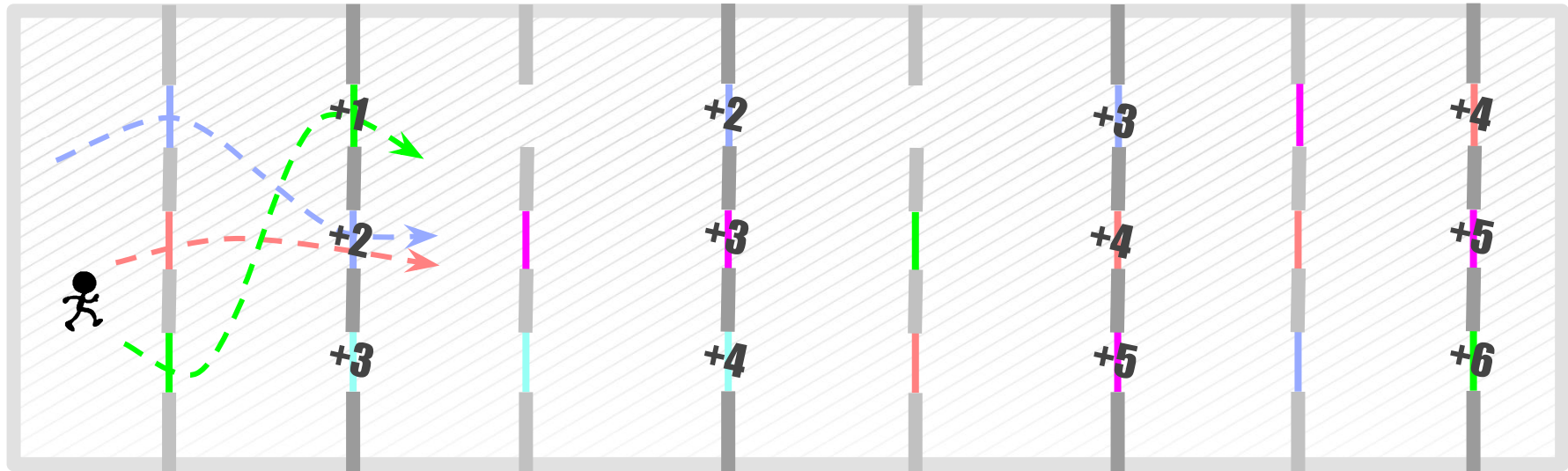
  



Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

- You start with 1 runner

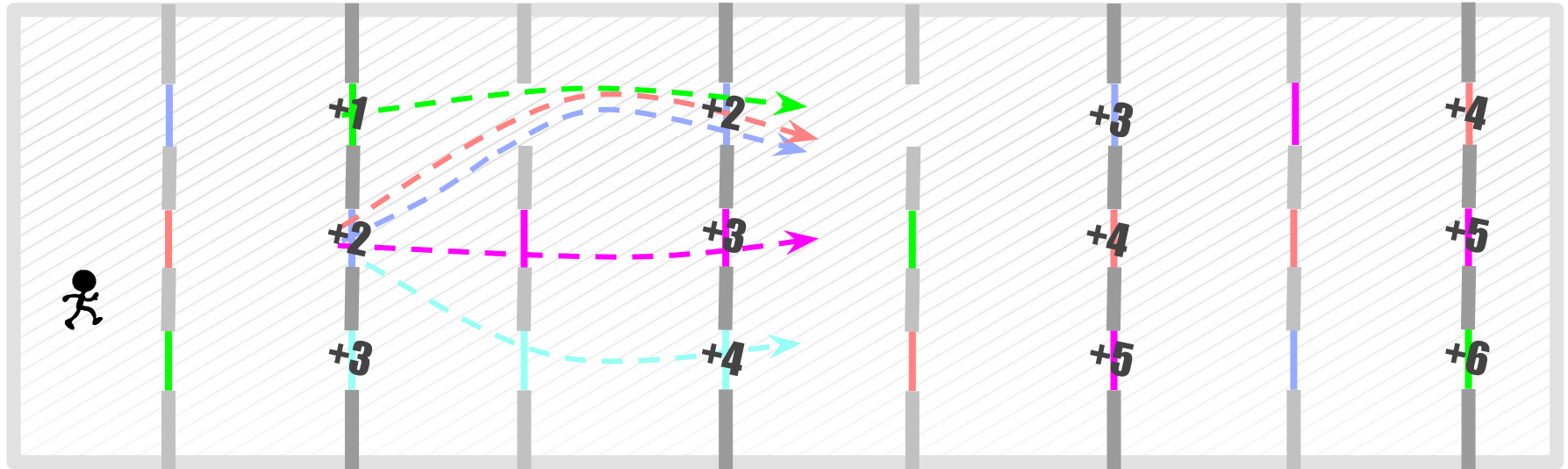
Possible colors: ³● ¹● ²●



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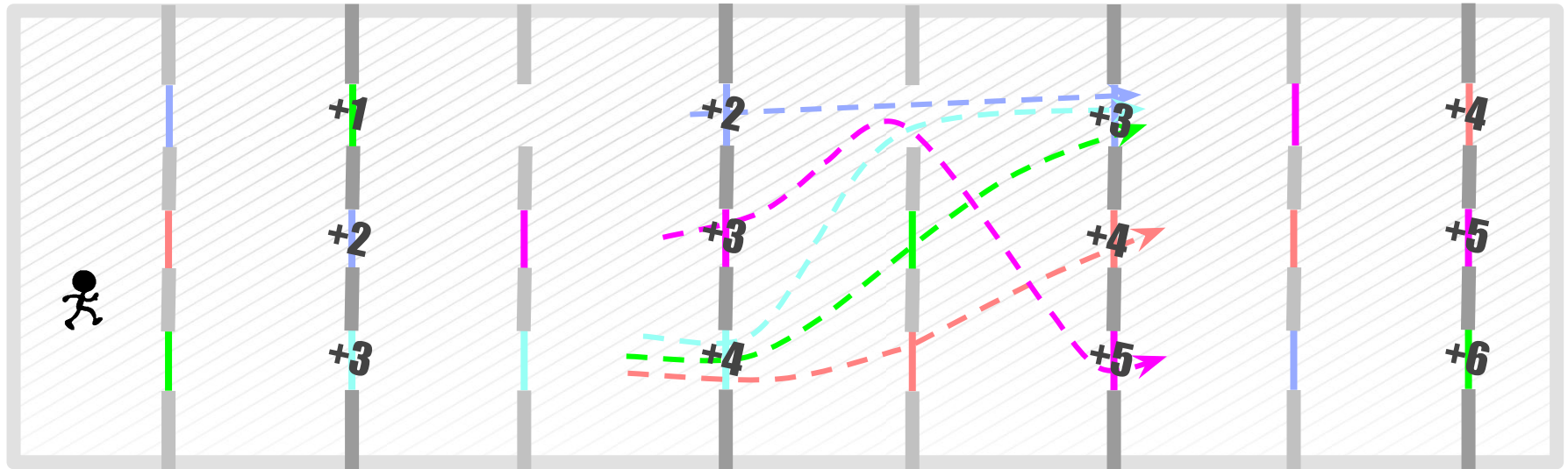
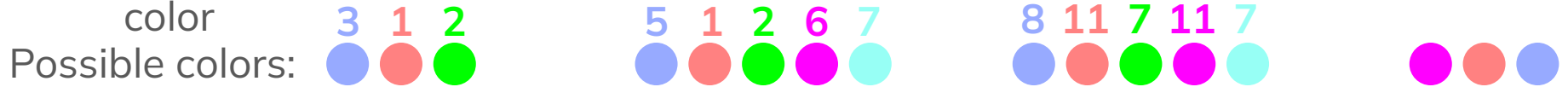
- For colors with coloring gate this round, we can transition from the best color

Possible colors: ³ ¹ ² ⁵ ¹ ² ⁶ ⁷



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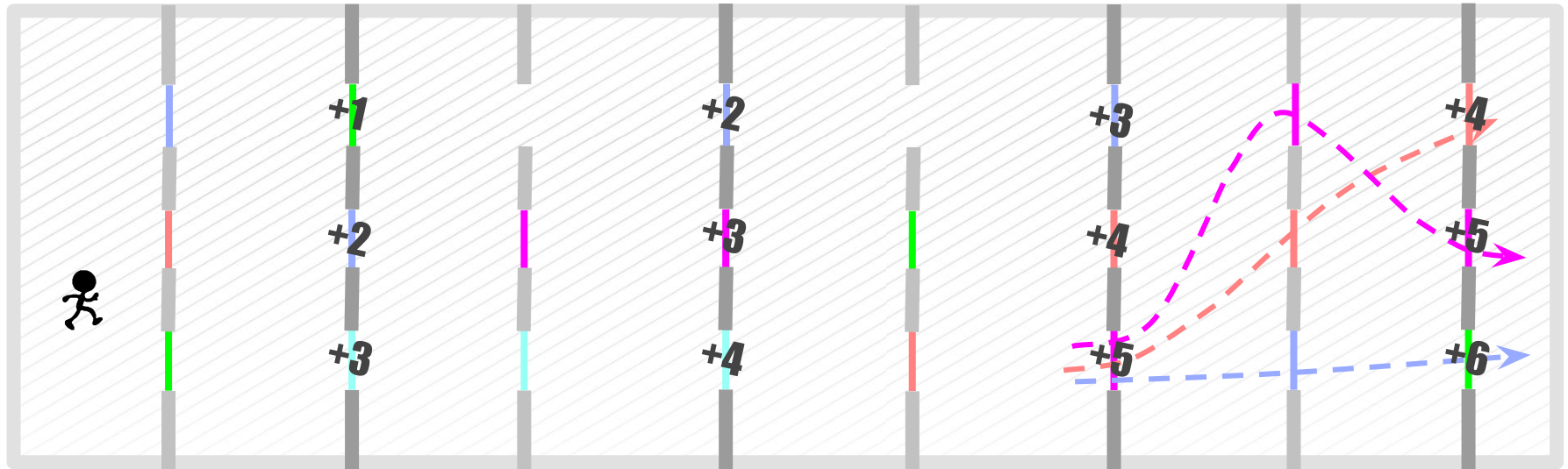
- For colors without coloring gate this round, we must transition from the same color



Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

- When there are no uncolored gate, reset all invalid colors

Possible colors: 3 1 2
● ● ● 5 1 2 6 7
● ● ● ● ● 8 11 7 11 7
● ● ● ● ● 16 15 11
● ● ●



Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

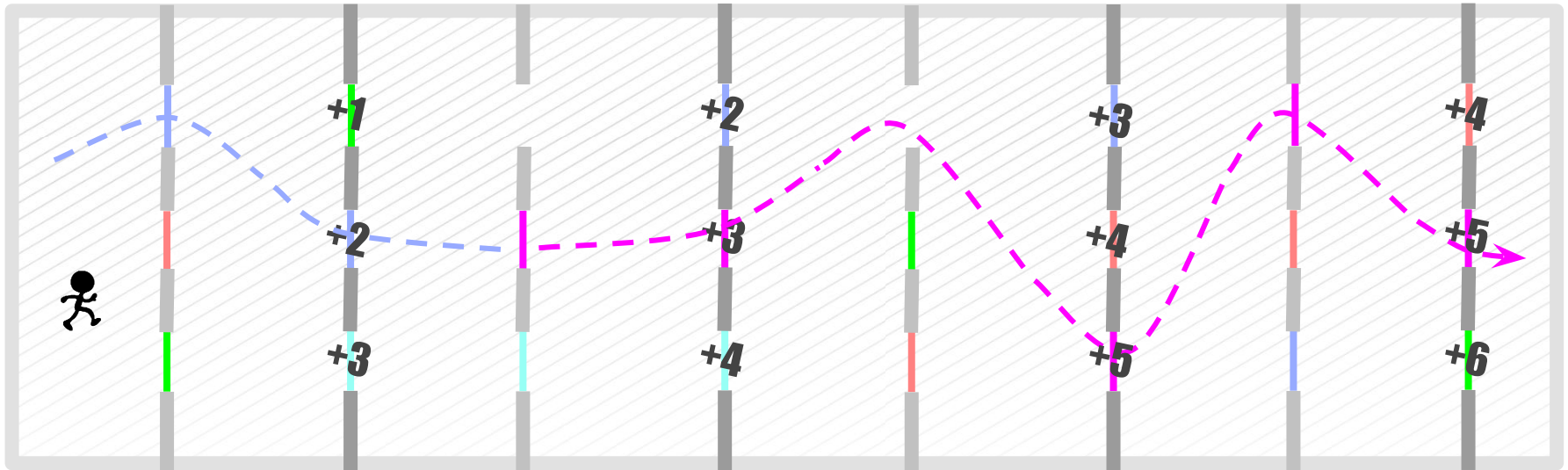
- Answer = max of all values in the end

Possible colors: 3 1 2

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Subtask 4 (26%): $K \leq 10$

- Pseudocode:
 - For $i \leftarrow 2$ to N : *#all reward rounds*
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to K : *#all colors*
 - If color exist in previous coloring round (round $i - 1$):
 - $DP[i][j] = \max(DP[i - 2][k])$ for all $k + X_{i,j} \# X_{i,j} = 0$ if no rewarding gate
 - Else if there exist an uncolored gate:
 - $DP[i][j] = DP[i - 2][j] + X_{i,j}$
 - Else:
 - $DP[i][j] = -\text{inf}$

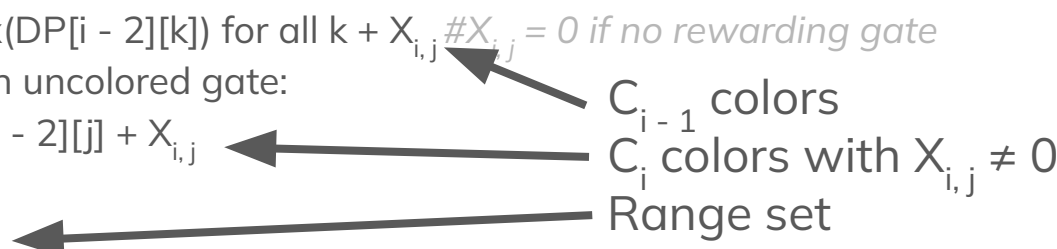
Subtask 5 (23%): No additional constraints

- How to optimize this code?

 - For $i \leftarrow 2$ to N : *#all reward rounds*
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to K : *#all colors*
 - If color exist in previous coloring round (round $i - 1$):
 - $DP[i][j] = \max(DP[i - 2][k])$ for all $k + X_{i,j} \#X_{i,j} = 0$ if no rewarding gate
 - Else if there exist an uncolored gate:
 - $DP[i][j] = DP[i - 2][j] + X_{i,j}$
 - Else:
 - $DP[i][j] = -inf$
- C_{i-1} colors

C_i colors with $X_{i,j} \neq 0$

Range set



Subtask 5 (23%): No additional constraints

- Notice that $\text{Max}(\text{DP}[i - 2][k])$ is always increasing
- We can just use an extra variable to keep track of it
- Initialize it to 1 instead of $-\text{inf}$! (You start with 1 runner)
- For $i \leftarrow 2$ to N : *#all reward rounds*
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to K : *#all colors*
 - If color exist in previous coloring round (round $i - 1$):
 - $\text{DP}[i][j] = \text{prevmax} + X_{i,j}$ *# $X_{i,j} = 0$ if no rewarding gate*
 - Else if there exist an uncolored gate:
 - $\text{DP}[i][j] = \text{DP}[i - 2][j] + X_{i,j}$
 - Else:
 - $\text{DP}[i][j] = -\text{inf}$
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to K :
 - $\text{prevmax} = \max(\text{prevmax}, \text{DP}[i][j])$

C_{i-1} colors
 C_i colors with $X_{i,j} \neq 0$
 Range set

Subtask 5 (23%): No additional constraints

- Additionally, we can separate processing coloring rounds and reward rounds
- In coloring rounds, we update the set of possible colors, and also transition from the best color. We also remove the first dimension in DP array to reuse it
- For $i \leftarrow 1$ to N : *#all rounds*
 - If i is a coloring round:
 - If there doesn't exist an uncolored gate:
 - Reset whole DP to $-\infty$
 - For j in A_i :
 - $DP[j] = \text{prevmax}$
 - For colors with coloring gate this round, we can transition from the best color
 - Else:
 - ...
 - For colors without coloring gate this round, we must transition from the same color \rightarrow Do nothing!

Subtask 5 (23%): No additional constraints

- In reward rounds, we just update the C_i colors with their respective $X_{i,j}$
- For $i \leftarrow 1$ to N : *#all rounds*
 - If i is a coloring round:
 - If there doesn't exist an uncolored gate:
 - Reset whole DP to -inf
 - For j in A_i :
 - $DP[j] = \text{prevmax}$
 - Else:
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to C_i :
 - $DP[B_{i,j}] += X_{i,j}$
 - $\text{prevmax} = \max(\text{prevmax}, DP[B_{i,j}])$

Subtask 5 (23%): No additional constraints

- Last question: how to reset the whole DP array?
- Use a map! `map.clear()` → reset whole array
- When the index is not found as a key in the map, the DP value is `-inf`
- For $i \leftarrow 1$ to N : *#all rounds*
 - If i is a coloring round:
 - If there doesn't exist an uncolored gate:
 - `map.clear()`
 - For j in A_i :
 - `map[j] = prevmax` if j is found in map
 - Else:
 - For $j \leftarrow 1$ to C_i :
 - `map[Bi,j] += Xi,j` if $B_{i,j}$ is found in map
 - `prevmax = max(prevmax, DP[Bi,j])` if $B_{i,j}$ is found in map

Takeaways

- Standard techniques are still very useful
- $K \leq 10$ requires understanding of base cases and transitions in DP

- Sometimes, we need to extend more from standard techniques
- Reuse DP array to avoid unnecessary transitions
- Using set to optimize “reset” action

- You must have a solid understanding in the “standard” version before extending it

Appendix: On `std::unordered_map`

- Note that in the solution, we just need a key-value lookup dictionary, the order of keys does not matter. **Why don't we use `std::unordered_map` ($O(1)$ lookup) instead of `std::map` ($O(\log N)$ lookup)?**

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`std::unordered_map`

`std::map`

Why?

Appendix: On `std::unordered_map`

- `unordered_map` store elements in different buckets.
- Same hash => Same bucket

- It will always ensure there are enough bucket such that the current `load_factor() <= max_load_factor()` (load factor = $\#elements / \#buckets$)
- Adding a lot of elements will trigger `std::unordered_map::rehash()`, which would increase bucket count (usually double the number, compiler dependent)

Appendix: On `std::unordered_map`

- `unordered_map::clear()` operates in linear time of **number of elements**
 - Complexity requirements is on container elements only, did not specify how fast the bucket managements need to be.
- `clear()` do not clear the buckets, only the elements
 - Some implementation will scan through all the buckets in each invoke of `clear()`
 - This happen even if there is 0 elements in the `unordered_map`.
- Hence, let say you have a lot of elements in `unordered_map` in the beginning
- Keep calling `clear()` is very costly

- Reference:
<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/63710308/what-does-stdunordered-mapclear-do>

Appendix: On `std::unordered_map`

- Given all of these knowledge, can you still save your solution with `std::unordered_map`?
- Yes, by forcing rehash after every clear.

```
mp.clear();
mp.rehash(0);
```

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- Note that there are still another solution by simply using an array as the lookup dictionary, and maintain a list of in-used indices for doing clear.
 - You should be aware of the tradeoffs between different approaches, and also have some knowledge about the inner workings of them to use them effectively