Merge Sort: Counting Inversions

In an array, arr, the elements at indices i and j (where i < j) form an inversion if arr[i] > arr[j]. In other words, inverted elements arr[i] and arr[j] are considered to be "out of order". To correct an inversion, we can swap adjacent elements.

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Example

 $arr = \left[2,4,1
ight]$

To sort the array, we must perform the following two swaps to correct the inversions:

$$arr = \left[2,4,1
ight] \stackrel{swap(arr \left[1
ight], arr \left[2
ight])
ightarrow swap(arr \left[0
ight], arr \left[1
ight])}{\longrightarrow} \left[1,2,4
ight]$$

The sort has two inversions: (4,1) and (2,1).

Given an array *arr*, return the number of inversions to sort the array.

Function Description

Complete the function *countInversions* in the editor below.

countInversions has the following parameter(s):

• *int arr[n]:* an array of integers to sort

Returns

• int: the number of inversions

Input Format

The first line contains an integer, d, the number of datasets.

Each of the next d pairs of lines is as follows:

- 1. The first line contains an integer, n, the number of elements in arr.
- 2. The second line contains n space-separated integers, arr[i].

Constraints

- $1 \le d \le 15$
- $1 \leq n \leq 10^5$
- $1 \leq arr[i] \leq 10^7$

Sample Input

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      STDIN
      Function

      2
      d = 2

      5
      arr[] size n = 5 for the first dataset

      1 1 1 2 2
      arr = [1, 1, 1, 2, 2]

      5
      arr[] size n = 5 for the second dataset

      2 1 3 1 2
      arr = [2, 1, 3, 1, 2]
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Sample Output

0 4

Explanation

We sort the following d=2 datasets:

1. arr = [1, 1, 1, 2, 2] is already sorted, so there are no inversions for us to correct.

$$\texttt{2. } arr = [2,1,3,1,2] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,2,3,1,2] \xrightarrow{2 \text{ swaps}} [1,1,2,3,2] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,1,2,2,3] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,1,2,3,2] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,1,2,3,3] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,1,2,3] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,1,2] \xrightarrow{1 \text{ swap}} [1,$$

We performed a total of 1+2+1=4 swaps to correct inversions.